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1621.
Feb. 6. **1,099.** "Orders and Constitutions, partly collected out of His Majesty's letters patents, and partly by authority and in vertue of the said letters patents, ordained upon mature deliberation by the Governor and Company of the City of London for the Plantation of the Summer Islands, for the better governing of the actions and affairs of the said Company and Plantation." 6 Feb., 1621. *Printed Pamphlet.* Small 4to. London. Imprinted by Felix Kyngston, 1622. 84 *pp., with manuscript marginal notes. Somewhat damaged. Inscribed on title page,* Recd. the 25 Sept. 1684 from Mr. Bannier, Secy. to the Company, *in the handwriting of John Povey.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 1.]

1635.
Dec. 21. **1,100.** Declaration of the Earl of Holland, respecting a Spanish attack upon the island of Providence. *Already abstracted under date in a previous volume of this Calendar.* 2½ *pp. Endorsed,* with description and date of document. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 2.]

[? 1638.] **1,101.** Sentence of the Lords Commissioners of Appeal from the Court of Admiralty, in the case of George Henley and Augustus Philipps and the *Golden Wolf,* belonging to the Dutch West India Company, and seized under letters of reprisal by Capts. Wilde and Harman. (*See Cal. S.P. Dom.,* 1638 *etc.*) 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 3 *a.*]

1639.
June 12. **1,102.** Copy of a deed of sale of lands on Long Island by James Farrett, deputy to the Earl of Sterling, to Edward Howell and others. *Certified copy* made 6 May, 1671. 3½ *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 3.]

Aug. 20. **1,103.** Copy of a deed of William Earl of Stirling, confirming the above-mentioned sale of land by James Farrett, and binding him to do any other thing that is necessary to strengthen the title of the buyers. *Copy.* 3 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 4.]

[1659?] **1,104.** Petition of Cornelius Burough to Lieutenant General Edward Doyley, the Field Officers of the Army and the Captains of the Fleet. I have held my present office four years, having performed my service faithfully and received recognition of the same; notwithstanding which Captain Christopher Myngs in the hearing of others accused me of being one of the greatest rogues employed by the State, Captain Myngs adding that he could ruin me when he got home by exposing my dishonest practices. I beg that he be required to put in a charge against me, to the end that proceedings be had against him. *Certified copy.* 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 5.]

[1661 ?] **1,105.** Petition of William Earl of Kinnoull to the King. I am still most willing to comply with your Majesty's wish to have the Caribbee Islands in your own hands, upon receipt of reasonable compensation. In obedience to your desire I have made several proposals which were never agreed with, offering to accept the Leeward Islands in satisfaction of my interest, which you would not accept. Since then you have offered me £500 a year at present and £500 more when Lord Carlisle's debts were paid, besides a considerable sum of money out of Scotland. I beg you, therefore, to order that, after seven years, that is immediately after the expiring of Lord Willoughby's lease, I may receive £500 a year, and after that £1,000 a year, and that meanwhile these means may be secured to me and my heirs in due form, and that meanwhile you will grant me an assignment upon Scotland for [*blank*] pounds, and renew my lease of the customs of the potashes for twenty-one years. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 6.]

[After May 18, 1661.] **1,106.** Arnold Brames and Co. to the Committee for Trade. The ship *Black Boy* bound from Dover for the Coast of Guinea and thence for the Barbadoes, was seized Ap. 13, 1661, off Guinea by a Dutch ship, the *Graffena*, set out from Casteldelmaine by Jasper van Huisen, General for the Dutch West India Company there. Damage £7,570. ¾ *p. No date or signature.* [*Colonial Papers, LXV., No.* 93.]

[After Aug., 1661.] **1,107.** James Birkin, etc. owners of the *Charles*, to the Committee for Trade. The *Charles* bound from the Thames to the Coast of Guinea was seized and carried to Castledelmaine by the Dutch ship Amsterdam of Amsterdam. Damages, £25,400. ¾ *p. No date or signature.* [*Colonial Papers, LXV., No.* 94.]

1664. April 13. **1,108.** A Copy of the Secret Instructions given to the Commissioners employed in America. *See previous volume of this Calendar,* 1661-1668, *No.* 713, *where this document is abstracted.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 7.]

[1666 ?] **1,109.** Copy of the Treaty made with the Iroquois by M. de Tracy on 13 Dec., 1665, whereby they place themselves under the protection of King Louis XIV, and declare themselves his subjects; also copies of two subsequent agreements, in confirmation of the treaty, of 25 May and 12 July, 1666. *The whole,* 15 *pp. French.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 8.]

1666. Oct. 17. **1,110.** Record of the taking possession of the forts captured from the Iroquois by the Sieur du Bois in behalf of King Louis XIV. *Copy.* 2½ *pp. French.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 9.]

[1666 ?] **1.111.** Don Joseph del Castillo to (?) Sir Joseph Williamson. I have two brothers with their families at Bauroma in America who carry on the trade of slave-holders, but have received notice that by order of Lord Willoughby, Governor of Barbados, the English have taken possession of that country and treat the settlers very ill. I beg you from compassion upon this misfortune of those poor men that a letter of recommendation may be sent to Lord Willoughby in their favour. *Spanish.* ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 10.]

[? 1668.] **1,112.** Petition of Thomas Martyn to the King. The French in the West Indies seized the *Hope*, Christopher Tugwell, master, laden from Dublin to Jamaica, 13 weeks after the war was ended. (*See Cal.* 1668, *No.* 1907.) Damage about £6,000 sterl. In March last, Gov. M. de Baas seized the *Hope*, Capt. Thomas Blackman, bound from Virginia to Barbados, which had put into Martinique through stress of weather, because Jonas Reakes, a privateer of Jamaica, had taken a Spanish vessel to which M. de Baas had given a pass. Damage to Thomas Martyn about £2,000 sterl. The *Marchand's Adventure*, laden with provisions and horses from Ireland to Barbados, was not allowed to water at Guadeloupe, thereby involving T. Martyn in a loss of above £4,000 sterl. Martyn proved his damage in the Admiralty, and petitioned the French Ambassador for satisfaction according to the Treaty at Breda, but cannot obtain justice. Petitions that there may be an order to the Commissioners of the Navy for the non-payment of moneys claimed by and granted to the French West India Company by the King in Council for losses through the English in 1665, until petitioner be satisfied. 1 *p. No signature, date or endorsement.* [*Colonial Papers, LXV., No.* 92.]

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Feb. 28. Bilbao Plantation. **1,113.** Nicholas Blake to the King. The masters of ships that come over hither generally report that the seamen are not paid their wadges nor owners of ships their hire, nor the carpenters their wadges, and indeed they set forth your Majesty as a bad paymaster every way, although, say they, many taxes are continually levied. Now although I am very confident that those who speak thus are Fanaticks and in their hearts do hate Monarchie, yet considering that many otherways your Majesty's good subjects (yet of shallow understanding) may be prepossessed, I propose some expedients for remedy; (i.) The appointing all seamen, carpenters, etc., to be fully paid for what is past. If your Majesty find that this scandal accrues by any of the paymasters or other officers, let them be made sensible of such great errors. (ii.) I propose that your Majesty would cause a little book to be drawn out wherein may be set down all your incomes, as well for rents of lands, quit-rents, customs, as for everything else that is fixed, and an accompt of your settled expenditure. By this means your Majesty may at an hour's warning at all times come to know the estate of the major part of your affairs. (iii.) One principal care would be to put knowing and withal very honest and serious men as chief officers and overseers in the yards, and above all that the Check be such a one. If you order to repair to you privately one Mr. John Packwood, living near Wapping dock, sometimes Check in Wolwitch Yard, he will be able to shew you that the Master Carpenter will crave allowance for about 20 men at work the whole year, and yet half of those shall not have wrought six months. And so for other officers, which if the Check will join with them it might be very profitable for him, but very chargeable to your Majesty. (iv.) If any officers of trust and profit are known to be disaffected to kingly government, it may not be amiss to use Eumenes his policy, who had many secret enemies, and, to prevent their plots, he borrowed considerable sums of money of them. If your Majesty pay interest for half a million of pounds so borrowed for some few years, you may more than save it

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other ways by paying ready money for things bought, by which means you should have all things as cheap as any Marchant whatsoever, and that saying would be revived which was usual in men's mouths in their bargaining, that their pay should be as sure as checker pay; so it seems the time was that the Checker bare away the bell for currant payment.

Recommends the appointment of two Accountants, one for maritime and the other for home matters. Other suggestions for economy, raising the coinage, etc.

The Island of Barbados is of pleasant situation, the clime very temperate, so cool as a man may very well endure to go as thick clothed all the year as in England in summer time; the days and nights in the remotest or nearest being of the sun never differ past two hours. 'Tis of length 28 miles, of breadth about 13 miles; the form oval, shaped like an egg. The place hath been, and still in many parts is fruitful in extremity, and with good husbandry may continue so to the world's end. This happy island is peopled with about 60,000 souls, white and blacks, small and great, of which the one third part or thereabouts are white people, and of those may be esteemed about 10,000 men, the most part able to bear arms; the rest women and children. 'Tis esteemed here that the Customs of the sugars of this place cannot render your Majesty less than £40,000 sterling per annum, which if so, then every one that liveth here are worth unto your exchequer a mark per head, and if in lieu of the 4½ per cent. now taken here, which is a troublesome thing to levy, you would please to take an establishment of 12 pence per £100 on Musdo. sugar and 2*s.* per hundred on white sugar, I think it would be £20,000 more yearly. This is to show that your care and bounty is not ill employed in sending over arms and ammunition in so plentiful a manner, as also the sending that noble commander Sir John Harman, who did such good service in these parts.

A great part of the Sugar Plantations begin to want wood to boil off their crops, so that we must of necessity make use of Newcastle or Welch coals, which if they come unto us at too dear a rate, we cannot afford to buy them, and so we shall make sugar in far less quantity than formerly. It is humbly desired that the duties which are levied at home upon coals may be remitted for all such as are taken aboard the ships bound for Barbados; and that the Custom of goods hither from England be taken off: those of New England have had that favour long, and we think we have as much reason to enjoy that privilege as they. Besides, as we are Englishmen, if we were in England, though we were drones and did nothing for the good of a nation, yet we should pay no customs for the stuff which cloths are made of, and yet being here and continually employed like the industrious bee, bringing continually honey to the hive, yet our cloths must still cost us dearer.

We are often alarmed with rumours of invasions intended against us. If your Majesty would permit we might have a free trade with Scotland, we should from thence be quickly recruited with lusty and able men, which would be a great strengthening to the place, and be better to us than soldiers, being the one are workers and help to maintain themselves when out of martial employ, but the others are lazy all the year round and must rely for maintenance

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on the sweat of other men's labours, which will at the long run gnaw the people to the bone. Besides in 4 or 5 years after their being here this place will so abound that it will be most convenient for the supernumeraries to fix on some other island near, which might in few years become fruitful and beneficial as this, provided the first Adventurers both in purse and person may have encouragement for the first seven years, the want of which and the settling present taxes before the land be possessed or in the least settled spoileth all laudable designs. Did we not lose 1,500 able men upon this score at Sta. Lucia about 4 years past, who, if they had been encouraged, might by this time have been in a good forwardness to have brought it to so good perfection as to have been esteemed a second Barbados? If any such islands should for the future be planted by your subjects, it might seem not amiss if your Majesty should retain on each 2,000 or 3,000 acres, which may be handed by delinquents, such as for crimes, under murder, the Law condemns to death, may be reprieved and sent over as your Majesty's servants for some years, and then to be free; which, after a settlement, will not only bring a good revenue to your Majesty, but also may be a means of making such poor people become good Commonwealth's men, as I have seen the experience of it here by some.

This place makes store of good cotton yearly; if it could be brought to pass that people could get it spun very small, as in the East Indies, we might introduce the making of calicoes as well as they do. From my observation of the work of Spanish women and girls in Biscay, I would infer that the next Governor should be instructed to cause people to set their children to work, the boys to pick and the girls to spin, for in great quantities they lie idle and do not learn to get a penny, and that for their better encouragement the Governor should settle some expedient to have what they shall so spin taken off their hands in a price according as it shall be well done.

It is not to be doubted but that the spices of the East India would grow here, if we had them to plant. I have heard how a certain public-spirited Commander of a ship did undertake that design, but death prevented him. 'Tis pity but it should be set on foot again, but there is small hopes unless your Majesty be pleased to countenance the thing.

This noble island wants a money trade, for here all things are bought and sold in the way of truck or permutation to the much damage of the inhabitants. The Kings of Spain and Portugal have not any island inhabited but hath a money trade. I can see no way to keep our monies in the country but by having coin of a lesser valuation than that in England: seven half-crowns in England should be coined into eight half-crowns or 20 shillings to go current for so much here, by which will be £18,000 gotten to your Majesty upon £100,000 so coined, and the island, as I can make it out by reason of the advantage of the exchange from this place to England, will not be a looser by it in the least.

The 4½ per cent. is very pernicious to be levied here and I do not know anything that makes the people sad more than that. 'Tis scarcely to be believed the vexation it gives both to sea and land men. The people had much rather your Majesty would impose at home an additional custom of 12*d.* per cent. on Muscovado sugar and 2*s.* or 2*s.* 6*d.* per cent. on white sugar.

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Here hath been a clamorous pretence of a long time concerning 10,000 acres of land, which in the infancy of this island's settlement the Lord of Carlisle did allot unto certain merchants of London, covenanting that they shall have a Governor of their own and should be free from the other ordinary duties, which others paid, being a certain rate for each servant, and some other privileges; in lieu whereof the merchants were to pay him five *p. c.* of the net produce, but because in those times at every year's end the land produced nothing clear of charges, but did still bring the undertakers more in debt, as all new settlements will, the Lord of Carlisle was weary of that delay and brake his compact, took away their privilege of having a Governor of their own, and ranged them into an equality with the rest of the Island, making them pay all taxes and duties as they did, and so they have continued ever since; yet the late Francis Lord Willoughby had a pretence upon the inhabitants of these 10,000 acres and began to put people in trouble, contrary to equity, reason or conscience, and to the extreme regret of the whole island, for the most part of this pretended 10,000 acres is now possessed by those who have paid the full value for what they bought, besides there was no failing on any side but my Lord of Carlisle's, and they which planted there did all along bear the burden of the day as much as the rest of the island. Lord Wm. Willoughby made some inspection into this, but finding it not to be feasible waived it, only declaring his willingness to have taken £2,000 and confirm their lands unto them, which they will not hearken unto in the least, nothing doubting but that your Majesty will condemn the pretention and manumise this spot, making it equal in freedom with the rest, which act will be exceeding grateful, the Governors, who should be watchful for the good of the country, not putting a helping hand unto it, but rather using their endeavours to get out all they can *per fas aut nefas*.

This country swarms with lawyers, the people are much given to law, to their great impoverishment and the others' enriching, who suck out much of the fat and marrow of the country and all to little purpose; they are for the most part but dablers in the law and very ignorant. It might be of great ease to the country if your Majesty would give the Governor order and power to find out some expedient for lessening law suits; one might be the authorising the choosing of three men yearly in every parish, who, or any two of them, might have power to hear all small differences of 1,000 lbs. of sugar or under, and that no lawyer do plead on either side, they for the most part darkening rather than clearing the truth; the judges' sentence not to be appealed from, and this to be without any charge to the parties.

This island contains completely 100,000 acres of land, which if equally laid out would make 24 parishes, and, paying but 6*d.* per acre to the ministers, would be for each minister £100 per annum, which with a house and some glebe land and other perquisites for marriages etc. might make a contentive livelihood; now we have but 11 or 13 parishes, and they are so great, though the ministers' means hardly so much as I have exposed that some people in most of the parishes come 4 or 5 miles to church, and this great distance is the cause that many people scarce come to the church four times

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in the year, and people become very untoward and ill-behaved and much uncivilised. Indeed the next generation do run the hazard of turning heathen. If we had 24 parishes and in every one a godly Minister, who should also undertake to teach school, it would be an addition to his means and the children would have education. If things run much longer in the course it now goeth, there will soon be apparent a greater number of fanaticks, nonconformists, etc. than a loyal and truly religious interest, and therefore it is much to be desired that your Majesty would order some good form to be put unto this thing, and that your Governors from time to time do make it a part of their business, for this place is a receptacle of all opinions; the chief Church is mostly Presbyterian; the Independents have their conventicles; the Quakers are erecting a house for their ceremonies; the Jews have their sinagogs; others are mere Athiests, and never come to Church or any other meetings, and the most part of those may well and rightly be concluded to be fanaticks; truly all joined together are far more numerous than those that are not; and what is as bad as all the rest, places of trust, both military and civil, are put into such men's hands. The increase of an orthodox ministry here is the best remedy.

I believe that the Assembly in their address unto your Majesty have desired to have a Governor that is a Proprietor and hath his chief interest here, thinking that then he will attend the good of the country more cordially and solicitously. The motion might do best so for the Island's good, and not be at all the worse for your Majesty's interest, but then it should not be as I have been told they would have it, viz. to have one every year and to reduce the whole island in the mode of a Corporation, to have liberty to choose them yearly themselves as New England doth, and that they shall bear their own charges and have nothing of allowance towards it. To have a Governor for one year only is to have him commit some errors in his first year and not give him time to rectify them; and to make a kind of a Corporation of the whole island, there would be but two Burgesses in the Assembly. If we should have liberty to choose our own Governors without having first your Majesty's approbation, it would derogate too much from your authority. If they should always bear their own charges, then none but rich men must be elected. But if your Majesty would establish a Governor every three years, which is the manner the King of Spain useth for his Government; and order that the names of three or four persons freeholders be every three years returned to your Majesty, one of which to be chosen by you, and also that the Governor during his time may have 300,000lbs. of sugar allowed him yearly out of the excise here levied upon wines and other liquors, with other incident perquisites, this, with the help of his own plantation, will maintain the incident charges of the place, and enable him in all points to do justice to your people. Our late Governor, the Lord Wm. Willoughby, went from this place some months since for England, taking the Leeward Islands in his way: he is a gentleman of excellent endowments, and doubtless for his abilities is fit for higher matters than these parts can afford and which also may be more suitable with his genius, for indeed the Island have esteemed themselves more unfortunate the Lord Francis' Government and his

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than in many years before, and they undertake to enumerate the number of misfortunes, which have attended all their actings. Much talk there is of extreme covetousness and ill management of affairs at St. Xopher's, Mevis, etc., but I think a great deal is rumour which increaseth in the telling. Peradventure things did not succeed so well because, the Government being dispierced, things could not be so well ordered as if the Governors of the other Islands had had their commissions immediately from your Majesty, being that this Island alone will employ the full endeavors for one man to govern well; those who, from other Islands, are to give an accompt to your Majesty only and not to any superior here, will doubtless endeavour to act more prudently and vigorously. If St. Xopher's had not a weak Governor, though other ways proud enough, that Island would have been still in the English hands, which being so foolishly lost and afterwards as poorly attempted by us, was the ground of our vexations, troubles and losses in these parts; and this is the fruit of putting men in such important places through favour, or some by respect, that have not a capacity to manage them. My Lord Willoughby hath left for his Deputy Governor here Col. Xopher Codrington, a stout and well resolved gentleman. I can think of very few in the Island that may be fitter for the place.

We have still continual rumours concerning some invasion from the French. They have lately arrived at Martinico, about 6 men of war, the most part of good force; one frigott was sent up hither lately with a frivolous errand, to prefer the restoring of St. Xopher's but it may be to spy what strength we are of. As for their compliment of restoring the English Plantations so ruined and destroyed, and without stock either of negroes or cattle, but the bare lands, they had as good have offered nothing, for a new settlement may be made upon any other uninhabited island as easily as there. Less of St. Xopher's Island than the whole cannot make amends unto your Majesty. If peace be not made at home, but the French King will molest your subjects here, there is no course to be taken but one, to send 10 or 12 stout men of war under such a resolute gentleman as Sir Jno. Harman, with a full regiment of soldiers.

I wish that the next Governor made have order to cause the oath of Allegiance and Supremacy to be administered over the whole Island, that it may be known who may be confided in at a time of need, for here are many persons in place of trust that at times will talk at an odd rate. *Moralises at length. Signed,* Nicholas Blake. *Brief abstract on back.* 15 *closely written pp.* [*Colonial Papers, LXV., No.* 95.]

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[Sept. ?] **1,114.** Petition of Thomas Delavall, merchant, late of New York, to the King. My estate was confiscated and myself made prisoner when New York was captured by the Dutch, and a large quantity of valuable goods seized from my warehouse and shipped to Holland. On her way thither the vessel was driven by stress of weather into the port of Plymouth in New England, where she was claimed by my son-in-law. The matter came before the Courts, which ordered the ship to sail for England to be tried in the Admiralty Courts there; but I since hear that most of the goods

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have been disposed of. I beg your order to the inhabitants of Boston that this my property may be restored to me. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 11.]

Nov. 3. Barbados.

1,115. Governor Jonathan Atkins to Sir Joseph Williamson. I arrived here on the 1st inst., and find letters which inform me of your established condition of Secretary. Give me leave to congratulate you. I hope you will esteem me worthy of your friendship, and I shall make it my endeavour to deserve it. At present I can give only a short account of the King's affairs here. The late attempt of the Dutch upon the French Islands became fruitless by the hurricane that surprised them. Could they have stayed twenty-four hours upon the place they had carried it and all the rest of them. They left eight hundred men ashore, who were all killed or taken. The storm has done inexpressible damage in the Leeward Islands upon ships, houses, mills and all their fruits. Considerable ships were wrecked in this harbour. But, not to leave you in a storm, once more all happiness to you. Present my humble duty to the King and let him know of my safe arrival. *Signed*, J. Atkins. *Holograph.* 1 *p. On the back*, Address of the letter to Sir Joseph Williamson. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 12.]

Dec. 30. Boston in New England.

1,116. Governor Leverett to Sir Joseph Williamson. The King's letter of 29 September last has been delivered to us, in which in compassion for his suffering subjects he gives an order respecting the ship *Expectation*, lately captured by the Dutch and recaptured by the English, to which, with her lading, several persons laid claim. In reply we would say that the ship *Expectation* was driven not into Plymouth but Nantucket Isle, a port under the government of New York, and was thence brought into Plymouth. There the Governor and Council thought it right to take £1,000 bond of the persons, who had possessed themselves of her by reprisal, to carry the ship and cargo to some of the King's Courts of Justice, and to take with them the claimants or their agents. She was then brought to Boston to be refitted (being disabled), and we finally let her go without altering the conditions of the bond. She actually sailed from hence for Jamaica, according to the story of those concerned in her. *Signed*, John Leverett, Govr., with the concurrence of the Council. *Postscript.*—We have now certain intelligence of the ship's arrival at Jamaica, where she is on trial. 1 *p. Much damaged.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 13.]

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1,117. Petition of the Bermuda Company to the King. King James I, by his letters patent granted the Bermudas to us, whereupon the islands were planted and made defensible at great expense, and we are still at great charge for their preservation which we can only defray by a duty of one penny *per lb.* on all tobacco grown in the Colony. This has been imposed and from time to time paid; and it is also laid down in our laws that no member of the Company ought to send goods to the Colony or receive them from it except in our yearly magazine-ships. Yet one Perient Trott, for his own gain and to evade our laws and the payment of duties, has sent

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several ships there on his own account, obtaining (by some misinformation) permission from you to do so, so long as he remains a member of the Company. We beg that his licence may be recalled and that he may be again subjected to the laws of the Company. 1 *p.* See previous volume of this Calendar, 1675-1676. No. 444. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 14.]

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Feb. 12. Whitehall. **1,118.** Order of the King in Council. Referring the petition of William Hinton, setting forth that in 1670 the merchants of various West Country ports prayed for Newfoundland to be taken under the King's government, to Lords of Trade and Plantations for report, and ordering them to examine all petitions upon the subject. *Copy.* 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 15.]

[Feb. 12.] **1,119.** Petition of William Hinton to the King. Praying for the King's consideration of petitions presented since 1670, for the settling of a government in Newfoundland. 1 *p.* *Inscribed,* Read in Council 12 Feb., 1675. *Annexed,*

1,119. 1. Reasons for the settlement of Newfoundland under Government. It is the King's undoubted property. It is the next part of the West Indies adjacent to the King's Territories. It is the greatest, if not the only, nursery for seamen. When it had a government it produced £50,000 for Customs annually. The French have encroached, from want of a government there, and, as there was no English Governor there, have possessed and fortified the best harbours, keeping great garrisons to debauch English subjects to live under their protection. When there was a government foreigners were excluded.

Next, as to trade. When the country was fortified the trades flourished. The fishermen are now open to attack by pirates and all other enemies. There being no Governor, all stages, boats, etc., are destroyed either by the planters or the fishermen that come first every season, causing great delay, expense and waste. All the woods near the sea are now cut down and fired. The planters keep tippling houses and debauch the fishermen, being under no control. They seize the best drying places for houses. The best harbours are almost destroyed by casting of ballast into them. Great abuses are committed by fishing out of season, for want of a Governor and regulations. For want of government the West Country Adventurers send their men to New England to save their return voyage, and thus many good seamen are lost. Owing to a late Act the planters have been driven inland, and are seeking the protection of the French.

Lastly, as to the inhabitants. A Government could put an end to the abuses which they suffer from the rudeness of ungoverned seamen, against whom there is no redress. A settled Government would give them fortifications, and protection against such attacks as

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De Ruyter's. They will have Ministers of the Gospel among them, and they will receive equal justice. 2¼ *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., Nos.* 16, 16 I.]

[Feb. 23.] **1,120.** Statement of the reasons why the West Country fishermen are against the taking of Newfoundland under the King's Government. (1) Many men in those parts subsist by letting out money at bottomry at 25 or 30 *per cent.* for the voyage, and, if the fishing were secure, money could be raised in other ways; (2) When the Western fishermen come to Newfoundland they pretend to privileges, and will not allow those who favour the King's Government to fish in quiet among them. (3) When Government is established they can no longer domineer over the poor inhabitants as they now do, but must leave the island to foreigners or put themselves under the protection of the French. (4) They will be hindered from sending their men to New England at the latter end of the year to save the charge of their passage home, by which custom fishermen are made scarce and the King is deprived of good seamen. (5) They fear that something will be required of the trade for the making and maintenance of forts and soldiers. They are like the cat that would fain have fish but will not wet her feet; and would rather that the country and trade were lost than that they should be under any rule but their own. In the late usurpation Dartmouth and the other places thought differently and petitioned Cromwell to set up a Government there. 1½ *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 17.]

[Feb. 23.] **1,121.** Pretended reasons against erecting the King's Government in Newfoundland, with the answers thereto. 1. Government will be of no use, but a great charge and burden. 2. It will be a hindrance to the education of seamen. 3. It will be a prejudice to trade from the numbers of people that will flock thither after the Parliament is established. 4. No fortifications can be any security owing to the distance of the harbours.

Answers: 1. The Government is necessary to prevent the disorders and miscarriages which now beset the trade. It will be no burden, but the fishermen on the contrary will gain twenty for one. 2. It will greatly improve the education of seamen, for when the trade is regularly settled many more merchants will employ their stocks thither. 3. Nor will any multitude of people that flock thither prejudice the trade, for they themselves own that the country is too cold and barren to be lived in. Mr. John Gold answered this before the King and Council, saying that the public good must be preferred to the private. If the land be kept by the English under English Government, if the fish be caught, made, sold and navigated by the English to the improvement of the King's revenue, then the objections of anyone who loves his country are silenced. But let the land be never so well peopled, yet those that send out ships to fish are not barred of employment, though their employment may differ, and that for the better. For if the planters take the major part of the fish then the shipping will go for salt, to sell to the planters, which will bring them in as much as the fishing. If the French could be outwitted, we could gain the market of Spain, Portugal and Italy for sending of fish. At one time two hundred odd ships were in the

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fishing trade, but now not more than a third of that number; yet the planters were more numerous when the number of ships was highest. No one can desire to see the Newfoundland trade carried on as at present, for it is passing into our enemies' hands. But private should give way to public interest, and then Newfoundland could be secured. But if the number of planters be found hereafter prejudicial to trade they may be limited both as to number and trade. 4. The objection to fortifications is weak, for the French have them and have improved their trade by security. Our own misfortunes instruct us, for had St. John's and the Bay of Bulls been fortified, De Ruyter would not have ruined the planters when he came from Guinea. As soon as fishermen arrive, they lay up their ships till fishing is over. Under the King's Government they could do so within the harbour, fortified and secure, whereas now they are open to all the enemy's pirates and searovers. 2 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 18.]

Feb. 25. **1,122.** Order of Lords of Trade and Plantations. That the Mayors of the West Country ports (*enumerated*) be apprised of the King's order for enquiry into the affairs of Newfoundland, and be directed to send full particulars and information respecting it, as well as a correspondent to attend the Board. *Copy.* 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 19.]

Feb. 25. **1,123.** Draft letter to the Mayors of the various West Country ports for the carrying of the foregoing order into effect. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 20.]

March 1. **1,124.** Sir Robert Southwell to the Vice-Chamberlain. Desiring him to obtain, if possible, information from St. Malo as to the French trade at Newfoundland, the number and tonnage of ships engaged in it, the rules by which the fishery is governed, the profits of the trade, the number of the inhabitants, the effect of fortifications in securing them against the Indians, and as to whether the planters do not interfere with the fishing, but leave it to be wholly managed by the shipping. *Draft.* 2 *pp. Endorsed* with the date. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 21.]

March 18. Spitle Court. **1,125.** John Gould to Sir Robert Southwell. The experience of many years shows that the right way of managing the Newfoundland trade has not yet been adopted. It is that of managing the fishery by the inhabitants and not sending ships, as the trade cannot bear the expense of their rigging, and riding in harbour all the fishing time. The French, who have two-thirds of the trade now, will soon engross it all, if other measures are not taken, which will not be while those are consulted who make their profit in letting out ships and in sales of the fish so caught. If the fishery were well governed, the fish might be sold at from sixteen to twenty rials a quintal. *Signed*, John Gould. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 22.]

March 20. **1,126.** James Houblon to Sir Robert Southwell. Respecting the Newfoundland Trade. *Already abstracted under date in a previous volume of this Calendar, No.* 475. 4 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 23.]

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March 25. **1,127.** John Gould to Sir Robert Southwell. I cannot possibly move from home being engaged in most needful business. Without all doubt the Newfoundland fishery can only be managed by people in the country; and those who oppose it do so from their private interest. *Signed*, John Gould. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 24.]

March 25. **1,128.** Petition of the gentry, owners of ships and merchants in Exeter and other West Country Ports to the King. The settling of a Governor and inhabitants in Newfoundland will be destructive to trade, to the increase of seamen and to the King's revenue. (1) The planters will at once take up all the choicest places on the shore, and yet the land is too cold and barren to support them. (2) They will destroy the stages and embezzle the iron-work of ships left behind. (3) They will destroy the trees and timber. (4) The inhabitants being debauched by poverty will debauch the seamen, more particularly (5) since they will be able to sell them spirits and tobacco. (6) The planters have a practice of engrossing all salt and provisions, to the prejudice of the fishermen. (7) They breed no mariners, but rather entice seamen to join them, whereby the wives and children of the mariners who stay with them become a burden to their parishes. (8) The trade hitherto has always been encouraged; if now burdened with impositions it might utterly sink, whereas (9) if it were made free to the Adventurers as formerly, many more ships would be employed and many more seamen trained. (10) The specious reasons and pretences of those who call themselves the West Merchants (whom we disown) should not be listened to. *Large sheet. Endorsed*, Read at the Committee, 25 March, 1675. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 25.]

March 25. **1,129.** The Humble Remonstrance of the Merchants of the Western Ports to the King. The Newfoundland fishery for eighty years past has employed two hundred and seventy ships, with great public advantages to the dealers in victuals, to the King's revenue and to the country at large. The fishermen go out in April and return about Michaelmas, leaving their remnants of salt and provisions in boats, hauled up and covered with rends against the next spring. But meanwhile some of the looser and ill-governed sort of people have stayed behind in the island, who have created past disorders, breeding no seamen, enticing real seamen to join them and ruining the trade. The shipping from England diminishes, because the inhabitants draw the best fishermen to them and destroy or embezzle the ships and stores left behind from the winter, take the best fishing places and debauch our men. *A very lengthy document. One large closely written page. Endorsed*, Read at the Committee, 25 March, 1675. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 26.]

March 25. **1,130.** The advantages of carrying on the fishery of Newfoundland by fishing-ships. 1. The increase of seamen. Twenty-five years ago the West Country abounded in seamen and over two hundred ships went to the fishery. 2. The trade was worth £300,000 a year to the nation. 3. The ships employed over 2,000 men, of which one quarter every year were green men. 4. The ships returned at Michaelmas, when, until Candlemas, these men could

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follow other callings and yet were fit to serve the King in time of war. 5. About one hundred more ships were employed in fetching salt and other matters belonging to the trade. 6. When the trade was thus managed fish were one fourth cheaper, and buyers were sure to have their fish delivered according to their contracts. 7. Thousands of handicraftsmen were employed in making provisions for the fishery. 8. This employment formerly bred more seamen than all England, except London.

Disadvantages to England of Inhabitants and Boat-keepers in Newfoundland. 1. It lessens the number of shipping. 2. It destroys the increase of seamen. 3. Inhabitants do not use English provisions and manufactures, which will deprive thousands of employment. 4. They get what they want from France, Ireland and New England to the prejudice of British trade. 5. Inhabitants and boats which carry off our choice men prevents us from employing more than a third of the ships that we used. 6. Fishing by inhabitants makes fish dear, and loses trade to this nation, for they supply foreign markets. 7. Inhabitants and boats occupy all the choice places in the harbours and drive the shipping away. 8. If liberty be given for inhabitants to be increased and harbours to be fortified, the Adventurers will be ruined. 9. The inhabitants destroy our stages and debauch our men. 10. The country cannot subsist inhabitants, being nothing but bogs, woods and rocks. *The whole*, 2 *pp. Endorsed*, Presented by Mr. Parrett and read at the Committee the 25 of March, 1675. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 27.]

March 25. **1,131.** The French manner of carrying on the Newfoundland trade. 1. They use ships, not inhabitants or boats. 2. They have a ship of war to accompany them, so that they are not protected by fortification. 3. They fish at too great a distance to disturb us. 4. Fortifying particular places is no protection, the fishery is two hundred miles long. He that is master of the sea is master of all that coast. 5. Planters ought not to settle within six miles of the coast. 6. Government is destructive to the trade by granting licenses for the sale of liquor, which debauches the seamen. 7. Governors have monopolised the trade. Witness, Sir David Kirke. 1 *p. Endorsed*, Presented by Mr. Parrett and read at the Committee, the 25 of March, 1675. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 28.]

March 30. **1,132.** A paper handed in by Mr. Parrett respecting Newfoundland. 1. It has been largely demonstrated that the Newfoundland trade managed by fishing ships has been most advantageous to the country. 2. Planters and boatkeepers are the cause for the decrease of the trade. 3. If Newfoundland be settled, most of the fish will be brought by New England and Ireland and transferred to foreign markets. 4. Thus our navigation and seamen will be decreased, and many thousand families dependent on the trade will be ruined. 5. Fishing by planters makes fish dear. 6. If Newfoundland be settled the trade will be ruined, yet the inhabitants could not sell fish as cheap as the Adventurers with fishing ships. 7. The Adventurers can

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sell fish as cheap as the French by contract, and consequently can afford it as cheap in the market. 8. No others can afford it equally cheap. 9. Merchants cannot obtain fish at a certain rate from the planters as they can from the fishing ships. 10. If the present few planters be so prejudicial to the trade, the increase of these will destroy it. 1 *p. Endorsed*, Presented by Mr. Parrett and read at the Committee, 30 March, 1675. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 29.]

May 5. Whitehall. **1,133.** Order of the King in Council. Upon the report of the Lords of Trade and Plantations respecting Newfoundland. ½ *p. Enclosed*,

1,133. 1. The Report of the Lords of Trade and Plantations aforesaid. *Both documents are abstracted in a previous volume of this Calendar*, 1675-1676. *No.* 549. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., Nos.* 30, 30 I.]

May 5. Whitehall. **1,134.** Order of the King in Council. That the Attorney-General with the assistance of the King's Council enquire into the powers given by the Royal Charter of Confirmation of 26 January, 1661, for regulating the fishery of Newfoundland, consider whether the powers relating to the punishment of crimes be defective, and report as to the sort of judicature most fit and proper to be erected for determination of such offences. *Signed*, Edw. Walker. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 31.]

May 5. **1,135.** Order of the King in Council. That a copy of the Report of the Lords of Trade and Plantations upon Newfoundland be sent to the Admiralty, in order that the execution of such points as are extended to the commander of the convoy may be executed by Sir John Berry or such other officer as the King may appoint. Orders are to be sent to the Governors of Foreign Plantations to receive kindly any inhabitants who may come to them from Newfoundland. *Draft.* 1 *p. Enclosed*,

1,135. 1. Copy of the Report of the Lords of Trade and Plantations, *abstracted in a previous volume of this Calendar*, 1675-1676. *No.* 550. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., Nos.* 32, 32 I.]

May 17. **1,136.** Copies of two commissions given by Captain Jurian Aronson to Peter Rodrigo and Cornelius Andreson, dated 31 October, 1674, under which they took ships and goods from the English. Certified at Boston, 17 May, 1675. *See previous volume of this Calendar*, 1675-1676. *No.* 1071. *The whole*, 2 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 33.]

May 31. Whitehall. **1,137.** The King to Sir John Berry of H.M.S. *Bristol* and Captain Carter of H.M.S. *Swan*. You are to convoy the fishing fleet to Newfoundland, and return with them at the close of the season, proceeding with such as are bound to the Straits and as high as Livorne, from whence any ships homeward bound are to be convoyed to Alicante, and so home. You are to aid the various commanders in the Newfoundland ports to preserve order; you are to take no seamen with your ships but such as really belong to them

1675. you are to take an account of the several ports of Newfoundland between Cape Race and Bonavista, giving full accounts of the ships, men, boats, etc. employed there, and of the number of houses, inhabitants and boats. You shall take no fish on board as freight or merchandise, nor any except for your own use and spending. *Draft.* 2½ *pp. Endorsed*, Read, 8 April, 1675. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 34.]

May. **1,138.** William Harris to Sir Joseph Williamson. The crowd of your "incomberances" is such as makes much blushing in me, and I cannot but see and be ashamed at my own boldness when I mention my past and long oppressions, and how I hope and beg for relief and speedy ease of my grief and pain, with earnest and ardent prayers to God and humble request for your Honour's kind aid to the King for his favour, etc., that by the next ship I may return home again to my girl and weak family, from whom I parted (I think) with as great grief as Jacob from Joseph; but, however, waiting God's leisure, for whose pleasure we were created. ½ *p. Endorsed*, May, 1675. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 35.]

1676. Jan. 27. Westminster. **1,139.** Copy of a Charter to the West Country Adventurers for the fishery of Newfoundland. Confirming the previous charters of 10 Feb., 1634 and 26 June, 1661, under certain restrictions of non-residence, and adding other laws for its better government, viz.: That no planter be permitted to build or to cut down wood within six miles of the shore, nor take up the stages and places of the fishermen. No more seamen are to be taken out than required, and every fifth man is not to be a seaman. No vessels are to leave England before March. The Mayors of the Western Ports are to take bond of the ships' masters for fulfilment of these conditions; and, as there is now no Court Martial in England, offenders in Newfoundland are to be reported to one of the Secretaries of State. 16 *pp. Endorsed*, Recd. 7 Dec., 1676. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 36.]

1677. [Feb. 16.] **1,140.** Petition of the Newfoundland fishing traders to the King. Proposing that, though copies of the patent regulations have been carefully distributed, yet as some ports are without the jurisdiction of their corporation, others have no magistrates, and others are governed by magistrates concerned in the trade, the Custom House officers may also be charged to see the patent observed. 1 *p. Inscribed*, Recd. 16 Feb., 1676-77. Read 21 Sept., 1677. Read at the Committee, 13 December. *Also inscribed*, Order in Council of 21 February, 1676-77. Referring the petition to Lords of Trade and Plantations for examination and report. *Signed*, Robert Southwell. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 36A.]

1676. Feb. 27. Whitehall. **1,141.** William Blathwayt to Mr. Rider. It will be necessary for you or such others as are concerned to attend the meeting of the Lords of Trade to-morrow at four o'clock, to give them information as to the Newfoundland fishery. *Draft with correction.* ¾ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 36B.]

1677. March $\frac{6}{16}$. City of Orange, River Wiapoco. **1,142.** Johan Pompelfort to the College of the Admiralty at Amsterdam. An account of a voyage to the river of Wiapoco and of the prosperous state of the settlement in Dutch Guiana. *Translation.* 4¼ *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 36C.]

1677.
March 24. Whitehall. **1,143.** William Blathwayt to Mr. Rider. Giving him and others concerned notice to attend the Lords of Trade on Monday next at 3 o'clock on the business of Newfoundland. *Copy.* 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 36D.]

1,144. Account of the Colony and Fishery of Newfoundland, and of the present state thereof. *Already abstracted in a previous volume of this Calendar,* 1677-1680. *No.* 406. 45 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 37.]

1684.
Aug. 2. **1,145.** Abstract of the proposals of the Onandagas and Cayouges Sachems at New York. *Abstracted in a previous volume of this Calendar,* 1681-1685. *No.* 1824. *Draft in John Povey's handwriting.* 2 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 38.]

Nov. 25. **1,146.** A collection of papers relating to the plunder of the sloop *James* by the pirate Yankey.

1,146. I. Depositions of John Thorp and several others. *Abstracted in a previous volume of this Calendar,* 1681-1685. *No.* 1962. 3½ *pp. Endorsed,* Recd. 31 March, '85. Read 4 April, 1686.

1,146. II, III. Statement of the case of James Wale or Wall, owner of the sloop *James. Two copies.* 1 *p.*; *and* 4 *pp.*

1,146. IV. Deposition of John Smith, late pilot of Yankey's ship, as to the capture of the sloop; sworn at Jamaica, 27 January, 1685. 1 *p.*

1,146. V. Deposition of Captain Henry Boteler, concerning the sloop *James.* 1 *p.*

1,146. VI. List of goods detained by the French from the sloop *James.*

1,146. VII. Petition of James Wale to the King, begging him to obtain for him satisfaction for the loss of his sloop. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., Nos.* 39 I.-VII.]

Nov. 26. **1,147.** Colonel Hender Molesworth to the Governor of Petit Guavos. *Abstracted in a previous volume of this Calendar,* 1681-1684. *No.* 1964. *Holograph.* 3¼ *pp. Annexed,*

1,147. I. Pass issued by Colonel Molesworth to John Thorp of the sloop *James.* 4 Sept., 1684. *Copy.* 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., Nos.* 40, 40 I.]

[1684.] **1,148.** Abstract of several complaints against the Governor of St. Thomas. *See previous volume of this Calendar,* 1681-1684. *Preface, p.* xlii. *and index sub. voc. Esmit.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 41.]

1685. **1,149.** Petition of James Wall and others to the King. Praying him to procure satisfaction for him for the seizure of his sloop. *See previous volume of this Calendar,* 1685-1688. *No.* 348. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 42.]

1686. **1,150.** Drawing of the reverse of the seal of Bermuda. *About* 2 *inches in diameter.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 43.]

1687.
May 19. **1,151.** Deposition of Captain David Mitchell, R.N. As to his having been sent to demand satisfaction for the seizure of the sloop *James* at Petit Guavos. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 44.]

May 20. **1,152.** Sworn statement of James Wale or Wall respecting the seizure of his sloop, the *James*. 3 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 45.]

May 20. **1,153.** Extract of a letter from Governor Thomas Dongan from New York, of 20 May, 1687. Not a farthing of the debts which Mr. Santen said to be outstanding is to be had. Mr. Graham and Mr. Van Cortlandt do miracles. I am a bold man and have many irons in my fire, building chimneys from the ground, sodding the fort, mounting all the guns, and paving the batteries with free-stone from Newark, which, though expensive, will be made up by its lasting maybe for ever. I have sent my Lord Sunderland propositions of the Maquas, informing how industrious the French Jesuit is to draw our Indians over to Canada. The people of Canada are out of their wits for our hunters going to the Ottawas. I hope they will not disturb them in their passage. The last account of them was that they were all well, and had carried some of the prisoners along with them. It will be great ruin to the French if the Ottawas will come to trade with us. The French ought to have the north and east of the Great Lakes, but I hope they will leave us the south and west. If any proposition be made, let not the King be surprised for want of information. Shew him upon the map how the land lies. *In John Povey's handwriting.* 2 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 46.]

Aug. 16. New York. **1,154.** Copy of a letter from Thomas Hawarden at New York. Your friend, Major Patrick Macgregory, was sent in April with a party of sixty Dutch and English, with Indians for their guides, to explore the north and west. They left Albany well-fitted, and after proceeding for a considerable way were met by three hundred French and a number of Indians, who asked on what pretence they had advanced so far in the King of France's dominions, and forced them to return to give an account to the Governor of Canada. The Indians, more alarmed than they need have been, escaped, and meeting some French beaver-hunting tried to take them to Albany, but, being opposed, killed three hundred of them with a loss of only seventy to themselves. The Governor on this news went to Albany and called the inhabitants to arms, but the Dutch refused to come out. 1¼ *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 47.]

Aug. 22. **1,155.** Extract of a letter from Governor Dongan at New York. Mr. Graham and Mr. Van Cortlandt will give you an account of the revenue, and how it has been diminished by the French hindering our Indians from hunting. ¼ *p. In John Povey's hand.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 48.]

Oct. 28.
Nov. 7. **1,156.** The French Ambassador to the King. Complaining of the encroachments of Governor Dongan upon French territory, and asking that orders may be sent both to New York and to Boston

1687. forbidding such encroachment. The King of France is prepared to agree to a delimitation of boundaries to prevent the recurrence of such incidents. *Signed*, Barrillon. *French.* 2¼ *pp. Endorsed*, Recd. 30 Oct., 1687. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 49.]

Nov. 10. **1,157.** The King to Governor Dongan. As to the troubles with the French in Canada. *Already abstracted in a previous volume of this Calendar*, 1685-1688. *No.* 1505. *Draft, in John Povey's hand.* 6½ *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 50.]

Dec. 2. **1,158.** Notes of a Sermon preached by Mr. Moreton in Boston at the end of September, 1687. His text was Galatians, v. 22. His teaching was that under whatever Government we lived we ought not to resist unless we had a clear conscience for it, and that, though the rulers of Jerusalem were unjustly set aside, this would not last long. ½ *p. Inscribed with a short note in Edward Randolph's hand.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 51.]

Dec. $\frac{8}{18}$. **1,159.** Memorial of the French Ambassador. *Abstracted in a previous volume of this Calendar*, 1685-1688. *No.* 1550. *Original. French.* 4 *pp. Endorsed*, Recd. $\frac{4}{14}$ Dec., 1687. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 52.]

1,160. Memorandum, giving a summary of Governor Dongan's requisitions for men, arms and ammunition to defend the Indians against the French. 1½ *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 53.]

1,161. Memorandum by John Spragge. Respecting the importance of the Indian trade and of conciliating the Indians to the English colony of New York. 2½ *pp. Endorsed*, "Mr. Spragg's paper." [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 54.]

1688. **1,162.** Abstract of recent letters from Governor Dongan, relating to the Indians at New York. *The latest letter seems to be that of* 19 *February*, 1688. *See previous volume of this Calendar*, 1685-1688. *No.* 1638. *Draft, with corrections.* 1½ *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 55.]

[1688. April.] **1,163.** Memorandum for the Lord President. To move the King to nominate a Lieutenant Governor for New England, to settle salaries for him and the Governor in Chief, and to recall Colonel Dongan. *Draft.* ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 56.]

[July 24.] **1,164.** Account of vessels cleared from Bermuda with their freights, and destinations. *Below the tables is written*, This is an abbreviate of the Collector's accounts which fear are very erroneous. 2 *pp. Endorsed*, Recd. from Sir R. Robinson, 24 July, 1688. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 57.]

July. **1,165.** Extract from a Memorial of the condition of the dissenters in New England, presented to the King by Increase Mather, Samuel Newel and Elisha Hutchinson, and read before the King in July, 1688. *See previous volume of this Calendar*, 1685-1688. *No.* 1678. 2 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 58.]

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Sept. 29. **1,166.** Account of indigo imported at the port of London from Michaelmas 1687 to Michaelmas 1688. From the English West Indies, 168,807*lbs.*, from India, the Straits and Cadiz, 27,038*lbs.* ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 59.]

Oct. 12. **1,167.** Order of the King in Council. Respecting Colonel Hender Molesworth. *Already abstracted in previous volume of this Calendar*, 1685-1688. *No.* 1905. *Copy.* 2 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 60.]

Oct. 17. **1,168.** The King to Governor the Duke of Albemarle. Giving the substance of his decision as to Colonel Hender Molesworth. *See previous volume of this Calendar*, 1685-1688. *Nos.* 1903-1905. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 61.]

Nov. 7, etc. **1,169.** Extract of petitions and letters of George Reid (Read or Reed) a planter of Jamaica, that, since he was formerly employed by the Royal African Company and put out undeservedly by Sir Tho. Modyford, he may be resettled in his employment as factor for that Company. *See Cal.* 1688. *Nos.* 1927, 1947, 1951. 2¾ *pp. Endorsed*, Recd. from Mr. Churchill, the King's Stationer, June 4, 1689. [*America and West Indies.* Jamaica, 540. *No.* 5A.]

Dec. 8. **1,170.** Account of stores of war in Fort James at New York, taken 29 August, 1688, delivered 8 December, 1688. *Large sheet.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 62.]

1,171. Short account of the proceedings in relation to the French in Canada, from August, 1686, to August, 1688. This is simply a précis of the intelligence given by Governor Dongan in his despatches. *See previous volume of this Calendar*, 1685-1688. 5 *pp. In John Povey's handwriting.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 63.]

1,172. Abstracts of the grants of wrecks made to the Earl of Feversham and the Duke of Albemarle. Three parallel columns. 3 *large pp., in John Povey's handwriting.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 64.]

1688? **1,173.** Project for a Joint-stock Company with a capital of £500,000 for the support and working of the West Indian Colonies. 3 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 65.]

1,174. Account of ships sailed out and home from Virginia in the years 1687 and 1688. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 66.]

1689.
[Feb.] **1,175.** Printed Proclamation for the acceptance of King William and Queen Mary by the Colonies; with blanks left for the insertion of each Colony's name. *Black letter.* 1 *p. Addressed*, To the Captains of frigates and masters of ships employed in the fishery of Newfoundland. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 67.]

April 1. **1,176.** Order of the King in Council. Respecting the petition of Edward Thompson. *Abstracted in previous volume of this Calendar*, 1689-1692. *No.* 63. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., Nos.* 68, 68 I.]

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April 5. **1,177.** Minute of Lords of Trade and Plantations. That Mr. Edward Thompson be asked to state what objections he may have against the present office for listing servants for the Plantations. *Draft.* ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 69.]

May 15. **1,178.** Minute of Lords of Trade and Plantations. For a copy of Mr. Thompson's petition to be sent to the Colonial Merchants. *Draft.* ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 71.]

[May.] **1,179.** Draft letter to several Colonial Merchants, ordering them to attend on the 29th of May in the business of Mr. Edward Thompson's petition for the office of registering servants for the Plantations. 1½ *pp. In John Povey's handwriting.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 70.]

[May.] **1,180.** Names of the persons to be summoned before the Committee upon Edward Thompson's business. ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 72.]

[May.] **1,181.** Petition of Edward Thompson. Sending a certificate from various merchants in favour of the establishment of an office in London for registering servants for the Colonies. 1 *p. Annexed,*

1,181. I. The certificate aforesaid. *Fifty-six signatures.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., Nos.* 73, 73 I.]

[June.] **1,182.** Pamphlet by C.D. in answer to the account of the Revolution at Boston. *Already abstracted in previous volume of this Calendar,* 1689-1692. *No.* 181. 4½ *pp. In the handwriting of Edward Randolph. Endorsed,* "The printing of this pamphlet will more "justify us than if I should trouble their Lordships with many "letters. E.R." [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 74.]

1,183. Draft of an Act for restoring bodies politic and corporate, and confirming their laws and liberties. 19 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 75.]

July 24. Admiralty. **1,184.** The Secretary of the Navy Board to William Blathwayt. Forwarding draft instructions for the Newfoundland convoy, for his observations. *Signed,* P. Bowles. ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 76.]

July 27. Admiralty. **1,185.** The same to the same. The Order in Council taken notice of in the Newfoundland instructions is dated 16 May, and refers to the forbidding ships to sail without convoy, or to leave it during their voyage, with other matters proposed by the West Country Adventurers. *Signed,* P. Bowles. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 77.]

July 27. **1,186.** Report of the Lords of Trade and Plantations. Recommending that a strong squadron, or at least a convoy, be sent to disturb the French in Newfoundland, that St. John's should be fortified and materials sent there for the purpose next spring, and that meanwhile an engineer should be sent out to survey St. John's and Ferryland and report as to those harbours, and as to the material and labour available for building. *Draft much corrected.* 5½ *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 78.]

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July 27. **1,187.** Instructions of the Board of Ordnance to Martin Skynner, who is appointed to go engineer to Newfoundland next spring. To draw exact surveys of St. John's and Ferryland and report as to the materials and labour at hand for fortifying them. *Copy.* 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 79.]

[Sept. 21.] **1,188.** Index of Barbados Papers from 16 December, 1684 to 21 September, 1689. 16½ *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 80.]

Oct. 15. **1,189.** Petition of James Kenvin, by order of Colonel Thomas Dongan, to the King. Dongan served many years in Spain and France until summoned home by King Charles II., when on leaving the French service the pay due to him by the French King was delivered me, and he was ordered to leave France in eight days. No compensation was given him in England until he was made Governor of New York, where he was obliged to spend £6,000 for defence of the Colony, for £2,000 of which his goods have been seized, and, but for the charity of those who remember his services, would have starved for want. He begs repayment of the sums that he has disbursed and leave to come home. 1 *p.* *In the margin*, Order of the King, referring the petition to Lords of Trade and Plantations for report. *Signed*, Shrewsbury. *Endorsed*, Recd. 23 Oct., 1689. Read 25 Nov., 1689. No order upon it. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 81.]

Dec. 6. **1,190.** William Blathwayt to Phineas Bowles. The Lords of Trade and Plantations desire to know by to-morrow morning the names of the ships designed for the squadron for the West Indies, also the names of the convoys for Virginia, and the date when the convoys and squadron will sail. *Draft.* ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 82.]

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March 13. Whitehall. **1,191.** Order of the King in Council. Referring the petition of the Hudson's Bay Company to Lords of Trade and Plantations for report. *Signed*, John Nicolas. ½ *p.* *Annexed*,

1,191. I. Petition of the Hudson's Bay Company. Our factories through the loss of two of our ships are left destitute. We beg protection for one hundred seamen for two of our ships, that they may be able to prosecute their voyage, or ruin lies before us. ¾ *p.* *The whole endorsed*, Read 26 March, 1690. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., Nos.* 83, 83 I.]

March 13. **1,192.** Order of the King in Council. Referring a second petition of the Hudson's Bay Company to Lords of Trade and Plantations for report. *Signed*, John Nicolas. ½ *p.* *Annexed*,

1,192. I. Petition of the Hudson's Bay Company. Praying that, in consequence of their heavy losses, the King will grant them a small fourth-rate frigate as convoy for their ships. ¾ *p.* *The whole endorsed*, Read 26 March, 1690. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., Nos.* 84, 84 I.]

March 15. **1,193.** Depositions of Thomas Savage and Amice Dumaresq, and of James Young. Testifying that owing to the want of provisions in Hudson's Bay the Governor in September had shipped

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home as many men as possible, and placed the rest upon short allowance. *Each deposition* 1½ *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., Nos.* 85, 86.]

March 24. **1,194.** Jno. Coode to the Principal Secretaries of State. 3 *pp. Same as Cal.* 1690. *No.* 792. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 108.]

March 24. **1,195.** Representation of the Governor and Committee of the Hudson's Bay Company. We have slaughtered fifty oxen and one hundred hogs, and bought enormous quantities of flour and other provisions for our garrisons, without which they must perish. The miscarriage of our ships last year makes it urgently necessary to send more ships this year. The voyage even to the East Indies is not so urgent as this, because (1) owing to ice the voyage to Hudson's Bay is possible only at certain seasons. (2) The East Indies are in no danger of perishing from starvation. (3) The East Indian fleet will want many men and will be absent eighteen months; we want only one hundred men, and the voyage, going and returning, occupies only five months. We have suffered more from the French than any other Company, being exposed to invasion. Last year it cost us £5,000 to set out our ships; this year it will cost us £5,000 more to fit out our ships and provision our garrisons, which expense will be wholly lost unless our voyage be permitted. 1½ *pp. Endorsed*, Recd. 24 March, Read 26 March, 1690. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 87.]

March 26. **1,196.** Report of Lords of Trade and Plantations to the King. Upon the petitions of the Hudson's Bay Company, it is absolutely necessary that their garrisons must be victualled from home, and we therefore recommend that protection be granted to them for one hundred seamen for their ships. *Draft.* 2 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 88.]

June 10. **1,197.** William Blathwayt to the Secretary of the Admiralty. Enclosing a proclamation of their Majesties' accession for Newfoundland, also heads of enquiries to be answered by the Commander-in-Chief of the Convoy and an additional instruction to him concerning the French. *Draft.* ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 89.]

Aug. 26. Custom House. **1,198.** Secretary of Customs to the Secretary of the Treasury. Forwarding a presentment for obtaining a squadron of ships to secure the return of the Plantation ships homeward. *Signed*, Jno. Sansom. ¼ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 90.]

Aug. 26. Custom House. **1,199.** Commissioners of Customs to the Lords of the Treasury. About September next large fleets are expected from Virginia and other Plantations, the safety of which is most important to the kingdom, not only in respect to the customs that they will pay and the seamen that they will bring home, but in regard to the estates of the merchants concerned. We beg that a competent squadron of men-of-war may be ordered to the Westward of Scilly to secure their arrival. *Signed*, Hen. Guy, G. Boothe, Jo. Werden, Robt. Clayton. ½ *p. Endorsed*, Read at the Council of Trade, 4 Sept., 1690. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXV., No.* 91.]

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Aug. 26. Admiralty. **1,200.** Lords of the Admiralty to Lords of Trade and Plantations. In reply to yours of 22nd inst. we have sent no orders to the Commander-in-Chief of the West Indian squadron since it left England, having received no letters from him. It was victualled for eight months when it sailed, which it is supposed, by putting the men on short allowance, will last for twelve months. We have ordered six months' additional victuals to be sent to the West Indies with all speed, but we cannot tell you when this supply will be ready to sail. *Signed*, Tho. Lee, J. Lowther. ¾ p. *Endorsed*, To Cabinet Council about this and about the scheme for seamen. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 1.]

Aug. 27. Admiralty. **1,201.** J. Sotherne to William Blathwayt. *Already abstracted in a previous volume of this Calendar*, 1689-1692. *No.* 1039. ¾ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 2.]

Aug. 28. **1,202.** Reasons for imposing an embargo until Michaelmas, 1691. (1) The prosperity of the nation depends upon the success of the Royal Navy manned by the best seamen, and late experience has shown that such men cannot be obtained while trade is indulged as at present. (2) So long as trade is tolerated it will be impossible to obtain good seamen, for masters allow their men to abscond, giving them fifty shillings and three pounds a month, to enable them to evade the press. (3) The suspension of trade during the period recommended would turn trade into its due channel, and weaken our enemies, who will make it their whole business to privateer, thus increasing their gains and augmenting the number of their seamen. (4) Nothing but a general embargo on all ports can prevent this mischief, for, no matter what the hazard, merchants will send abroad ships to the parts with which they trade, and thus our enemies gain supplies, for the merchants in London, hearing of the despatch of these vessels, emulate them by sending their vessels also. (5) The suspension of trade at this time will be of no prejudice to the merchants nor to the inhabitants of the Colonies, for the latter were supplied by the merchants last spring, and the merchants have not yet bought their goods and fitted their ships, as last year, when this was the cause for their begging for liberty to trade. (6) Many mischiefs and inconveniences would be prevented by such an embargo. We beg also that a squadron may be sent in September to bring in the fleets from Virginia and the West Indies, some two hundred sail. 1½ *large pp. Endorsed*, given my Ld. President by some Virginia Merchants. 28 Aug., 1690. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. XLVI., No.* 3.]

Sept. 11. **1,203.** Memorial of the African Company to Lords of Trade and Plantations. You have ordered four convoys to sail in October so as to return by the end of March next. Our ships cannot return in so limited a time, and we therefore beg that we may have liberty to send ships as our occasions may require, with stores and provisions for the preservation of our castles and fortresses; also for negroes for the West Indies, which, owing to the embargo last year, were but slenderly supplied. We beg also that one of the ships of the Barbados convoy may be ordered to Cambia to assist and countenance the people there, which deviation can be no hindrance to such

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ships convoying home the American fleet. 1 *p.* *Endorsed*, Recd. 11 Sept., 1690. Read same day. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 4.]

Sept. 11. **1,204.** Memorial of the merchants trading to Italy. Praying that the convoy for the Straits may proceed as far as Leghorn, and stay there six days so as to bring back any ships from thence. No time will be lost thereby. *Six signatures.* 1 *p.* *Endorsed as the preceding.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 5.]

[Sept. 11.] **1,205.** Memorial of the merchants trading to Newfoundland. Five or six small ships, which will carry about forty men, are fitting out and will be ready to sail on the 10th October with provisions for the poor people in Newfoundland. They as well as the whole trade will be lost unless some relief be sent to them. We beg, therefore, that no embargo may be laid on ships for Newfoundland before the 10th or 20th of October next. ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 6.]

Sept. 11. **1,206.** Petition of the merchants trading to New England to the King. New England supplies the West Indies with provisions, but many New England ships are now laid up in England, while others have been taken by the French, so that the traders of the Colony are now in great want of shipping. We beg that a convoy may be granted for the maintenance and support of our trade. *Twenty-five signatures.* ½ *p.* *Endorsed*, Recd. 11 Sept., 1690; read same day. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 7.]

[Sept. 11.] **1,207.** Petition of the traders to Jamaica to the House of Commons. We had orders from the Privy Council that two hundred seamen should be allowed to us to proceed to the Isle of Jamaica, and we furnished a list of them and gave bond for them at the Custom House, as required. We now learn that upon your address the King will allow us but one hundred seamen, whereby six of our vessels, already fitted out, loaded with ammunition, stores, and provisions, must be brought back again, to the ruin of the owners and the danger of the Island. Since these six ships contain but fifty-six men, we beg you to make a fresh representation to the King in our favour. *Fourteen signatures.* 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 8.]

Sept. 18. **1,208.** Petition of traders to the Leeward Islands to the King. We hear that you have directed the squadron in the West Indies to return home immediately. We are deeply sensible of the danger to the Leeward Islands if any part of this force be taken away. Two hundred ships from the West Indies are homeward bound, which will furnish many seamen to the Royal Navy. We beg, therefore, that the squadron be continued in these parts and that victuals may be sent to it. *Eighteen signatures.* ½ *p.* *Endorsed*, Recd. and read in Council, 18 Sept., 1690. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 9.]

Sept. 21. **1,209.** Petition of the merchants trading to Barbados to the King and Queen. Barbados depends now on England for subsistence, supplies from Ireland and New England being now cut off.

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Fewer ships than can be sailed with six hundred men will not suffice to relieve the island's necessities, and the planters will be ruined unless ships be sent to bring home their produce. The number of ships now asked for is not a quarter of that annually laden by the island in time of peace. The ships, being ready in the Downs by 20 October, may reasonably be expected to return in April, and their detention will cause great loss. We beg, therefore, that they may be permitted to sail. *Fifteen signatures.* 1 *p. Inscribed*, Presented, 21 Sept., 1690. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 10.]

Sept. 21. **1,210.** Petition of the traders to Virginia and Maryland to the King. We had fitted up ships for the Plantations requiring a thousand or twelve hundred seamen, which we hoped to receive in discharge from the Royal Navy. You have ordered, however, that we shall have but four hundred men, which has led to much competition among us for them. To avoid this inconvenience we suggest that a general embargo be imposed, as the Colonies are sufficiently supplied for the present. *Twenty-three signatures.* 1 *p. Inscribed*, Presented 21 Sept., 1690. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 11.]

Sept. 21. **1,211.** List of ships now bound to Virginia and Maryland. Fifty-two ships requiring 1,142 men. 1 *p. Endorsed*, Presented 21 Sept., 1690, by the Virginia merchants. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 12.]

Sept. 22. **1,212.** The Lord President to William Blathwayt. The question of trade in relation to the number of men and to convoys was considered by the King in Council yesterday. The West India merchants are allowed twelve hundred men and their convoy will be ready for them in the Downs on 20 October, but will accompany them only a sufficient distance out of soundings. On their arrival in the West Indies convoys should be allotted them from Captain Wright's squadron, which should attend them there and return with them. The Virginia and Maryland merchants are also allowed twelve hundred men, and their convoy will be ready on 31 October. The African ships are not to go at all, but the rest will stand as in the paper which you gave, excepting such alterations as I have already specified. The distribution of the men among the merchants has been left to the Commissioners of Customs, but it is suggested that the number shall be proportioned to the customs paid in each port by the respective traders. It is also ordered that they shall give bond to sail to no port but that for which they enter, and that they shall return with the convoys. Care is to be taken as to the ships bound to the Straits, for they are ordered not to go beyond Malaga. The Messina ships will be convoyed by the squadron that goes to the Mediterranean. The ships to Lisbon will be convoyed by some of those that go to Malaga. I write this because I shall not be this night in London. *Signed*, Carmarthen, P. *Holograph.* 3 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 13.]

[Sept.] **1,213.** Considerations upon the present embargo. The King should give orders how long the ships bound to Virginia, Maryland, and New England shall stop, when they shall go and under what

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security, and an advice-boat should be sent to notify the men in Virginia. It should be distinguished what ships shall have leave to go to Barbados to make up the number of two hundred men, and what to Jamaica to make up the number of one hundred men. The ships that carry provisions and recruits to Barbados have 266 men. The embargo on the ships to the Canaries and Cadiz should be raised at once. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 14.]

Sept. 25. **1,214.** Abstract of the orders given as to the sailing of convoys. *Already given in the Lord President's letter of* 22 *September,* 1690. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 15.]

Sept. 25. **1,215.** The Victualling Board to the Admiralty. We have agreed with the commanders of the ships enumerated below to carry three months' provision to the West Indian squadron, but the King has allotted a given number of mariners to the West Indian trade, of which the traders would exclude these victualling vessels from having any share. We conceive that these ships should be favoured rather than the reverse, and, if no proportion of these mariners be allowed to them, they will be unable to sail. We beg your intercession in favour of the masters of these ships. *Here follows the list of victualling ships, five in number, aggregating* 1,380 *tons. Copy.* 2 *pp. Endorsed,* Recd. 27 Sept., 1690; read same day. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 16.]

Sept. 25. **1,216.** Draft memorandum of the orders given for the convoy of the West Indian squadron on 25 September, 1690. ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 17.]

Oct. 4. Custom House. **1,217.** Commissioners of Customs to the Lords of the Treasury. Forwarding the lists of ships and men designed for the trade to Virginia, Maryland and the West Indies, that orders may be given to the convoys to take them in charge. *Signed,* J. Warde, G. Boothe, Rich. Temple, Jo. Werden, Robt. Clayton, Hen. Guy. 1 *p. Annexed,*

1,217. I. List of ships bound to Virginia and Maryland. 46 ships, 800 men. 2 *pp.*

1,217. II. List of ships bound to Barbados. 31 ships, 400 men. 1 *p.*

1,217. III. List of ships bound to the Leeward Islands. 17 ships. 199 men. 1 *p.*

1,217. IV. List of ships bound to Jamaica. 14 ships, 200 men. 1 *p.*

The whole endorsed, Recd. 16 Oct., 1690. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 18, 18 I.-IV.]

Oct. 7. **1,218.** John Addis to William Blathwayt. I have duly received the pacquets for the West Indies, and shall be careful to deliver them to the Master of the Advice-boat bound thither. *Signed,* Jo. Addis. ¼ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 19.]

Oct. 8. Custom House. **1,219.** Commissioners of Customs to the Lords of the Treasury. Asking that two Bristol ships may be subjoined to the list of the fleet bound for Maryland and Virginia, and annexing a

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list of ships bound for New England and Newfoundland. *Signed*, Jo. Werden, J. Warde, Robt. Clayton, Robert Southwell. 1½ *pp. Annexed*,

1,219. I. List of ships bound for New England, 6 ships, 70 men; and of ships bound for Newfoundland, 4 ships, 40 men. 1 *p. The whole endorsed*, Ordered, 16 Oct., 1690. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 20, 20 I.]

Oct. 17. **1,220.** Sir Robert Southwell to William Blathwayt. The poor Protestants of Ireland, merchants and others of Cork, Kingsale and thereabouts, now at Bristol, are much rejoiced at the permission given for their return. But Mr. William Hovel, of Cork, is much aggrieved by the order that all ships going directly for Ireland shall give bond to return directly for England, for one of his own ships will thus be detained in England, whereas she belongs to Cork. He therefore begs that his ship may be allowed to go free. Pray lay the case before the Lords of Trade. *Signed*, Robert Southwell. *Holograph.* 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 21.]

Oct. 23. **1,221.** Edward Southwell to William Blathwayt. There are two more cases like Mr. Hovell's of which my father wrote to you (*See preceding abstract*), whose Protestant owners desire the same favour. My father hopes they will be gratified, for he would then cause one of them to load coal at Swansea and sail direct to Kingsale, for he fears that the many soldiers in the town will, when the winter comes, pull down one house to warm another. *Signed*, Edward Southwell. 1½ *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 22.]

Oct. 23. **1,222.** Memorial of Louis Zuhm to the King. Praying permission for the ship *Virginia Factor* to sail to Virginia. *Dutch.* 1 *p. Endorsed*, Ordered 23 Oct., 1690. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 23.]

[Oct. 23.] **1,223.** Two lists of ships, permitted to sail by particular orders since the 18th of September, up to the 23rd of October. 2 *pp. and* 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 24, 25.]

Oct. 25. **1,224.** Abstract and comparison of the number of seamen sent out in the trades to the Straits, Spain, and Portugal, to the Canaries, to Guinea, and to the Plantations in December, 1689, and January, 1690, and of those going out in October, 1690. Sent in December, 1689, and January, 1690, 8,190 seamen; in October, 1690, 6,073 seamen. 1 *p.*

State of next year's trade in relation to the number of men and convoys. 1 *p. The whole endorsed*, 25 October, 1690. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 26.]

[Oct. 25.] **1,225.** Short abstract of the papers and minutes concerning next year's convoys. *Large sheet, with many corrections.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 27.]

[Oct. 25.] **1,226.** Abstract of the number of seamen allowed to the several ships trading to the Plantations. 1¼ *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 28.]

Oct. 31. **1,227.** Commissioners of Customs to Lords of the Treasury. The number of seamen from the port of Dartmouth was not inserted

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in the list of ships allowed to go to the Plantations, the port having made no return of them. We have since received, and now enclose the return. *Signed*, Robert Southwell, G. Boothe, Jo. Werden, J. Warde. ¾ *p. Annexed*,

1,227. I. List of ships from the port of Dartmouth sailing for the Plantations. 9 ships, 35 English seamen. ½ *p. The whole endorsed*, Granted in Council, 6 Nov., 1690. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 29, 29 I.]

Nov. 6. **1,228.** Commissioners of Customs to Lords of the Treasury. Forwarding a list of ships and men that will proceed to the Plantations from Newcastle. *Signed*, G. Boothe, Jo. Werden, J. Warde, Robt. Clayton. ¾ *p. Annexed*,

1,228. I. List of ships and seamen allowed this season from Newcastle. 5 ships, 40 men. ¼ *p. The whole endorsed*, Recd. 15 Nov., 1696. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 30, 30 I.]

Nov. 13. Custom House. **1,229.** Secretary of Customs to William Blathwayt. I send a list of ships cleared from Gravesend since the 18th of September. A return is preparing for you giving the tonnage of the ships and the number of men. *Signed*, Jno. Sansom. 1 *p. Endorsed*, Read same day at noon. *Annexed*,

1,229. I. List of ships cleared from Gravesend for the Plantations and Southward since 23 September, 1690. *Large sheet.*

1,229. II. List of ships cleared from London and Gravesend for Spain. 1 *p.*

1,229. III. List of ships cleared from all ports for the Plantations. 8 *pp.*

1,229. IV. List of ships bound for Newfoundland. 1 *p.*

1,229. V. List of ships cleared from Gravesend from 19 September to 12 November, 1690. 6 *pp.*

1,229. VI. List of ships cleared from the port of London. 12 *pp.*

1,229. VII. State of next year's trade in relation to the number of men and convoys. *Large sheet.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 31, 31 I.-VII.]

Nov. 13. Custom House. **1,230.** Secretary of Customs to William Blathwayt. Forwarding a report from the Commissioners of Customs to accompany the lists of ships. *Signed*, Jno. Sansom. ½ *p. Annexed*,

1,230 I. Commissioners of Customs to Lords of the Treasury, 13 Nov., 1690. We duly circulated the Order for an embargo on the 18th of September and have no reason to believe that any ships have cleared, without permission, since the order. A few ships have broken away, as we have already informed you, but we shall be more particular hereafter that such offenders shall be punished. The lists required of us have been furnished. *Signed*, J. Boothe, Jo. Werden, J. Warde, Robert Southwell. 1½ *pp. The whole endorsed*, Recd. the same afternoon. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 32, 32 I.]

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Nov. 14. **1,231.** William Blathwayt to the Secretary of Customs. Some of the Commissioners will be required to attend the Council on Saturday. Meantime please send me an account of the proportion used by the Commissioners in allowing seamen to ships from the port of London and the outports; and desire Mr. Hutchinson and Mr. Tyrrell, the Collectors outwards, to call on me before one o'clock to-day. *Draft.* 1 *p. Annexed,*

1,231. I. List of the ships cleared outwardly since 23 September, 1690. 4½ *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 33.]

Nov. 14. **1,232.** Lords of the Admiralty to William Blathwayt. In obedience to the Order in Council of yesterday we report that it has been usual for the convoys to search the merchant-ships to see how many seamen they carry, but this proved ineffectual last year, when the number of ships was large. *Signed,* Pembroke, Tho. Lee, J. Lowther, E. Russell, Ri. Onslow. 1 *p. Endorsed,* Recd. 15 Nov., 1690. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 34.]

Nov. 14. Custom House. **1,233.** Secretary of Customs to William Blathwayt. Enclosing a statement from Sir John Werden as to the proportions of seamen allowed to each port by the Commissioners. *Signed,* Jno. Sansom. ¾ *p. Annexed,*

1,233. I. Sir John Werden to William Blathwayt. The proportion of men from London is 1,599, from the out-ports 801. Possibly some ships cleared from London may have more men aboard than are allowed. We design three fourths of the complements to be English and one fourth foreigners, but doubt if this be practicable. *Here follow details in explanation of the lists and tables. Signed,* Jo. Werden. 2 *pp.*

1,233. II. List of ships cleared at Gravesend since 23 September, 1690. 3 *pp.*

1,233. III. List of ships bound for the Plantations from the port of Bristol. 1 *p.*

1,233. IV. List of ships bound outwards from various ports. 1½ *pp.*

1,233. V. List of ships bound outwards from the port of Plymouth. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 35, 35 I.-V.]

Nov. 17. **1,234.** Orders of the Admiralty to Captain Wright. Commanding the West Indian Squadron. Requiring him to continue in the West Indies and to do his best to secure the English Islands and injure the French until further orders. *Copy.* ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 36.]

Nov. 18. Admiralty. **1,235.** Secretary of the Admiralty to William Blathwayt. As there are no officers of the Navy in the out-ports to enforce the Order in Council of the 15th inst., it will be necessary for the officers of Customs to see that ships take no greater number of seamen than is allowed to them. *Signed,* J. Sotherne. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 37.]

[Nov. 20.] **1,236.** Abstract of Orders concerning ships permitted to sail since the 18th September until the 20th of November. 3 *pp.*

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1,236. 1. Duplicate of the foregoing. 3 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 38, 39.]

[Nov. 20.] **1,237.** List of ships and men permitted to sail from some of the out-ports to Spain and Portugal. 2 *large sheets. Endorsed,* Read, Nov. 20, 1690. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 40.]

Nov. 20. **1,238.** William Blathwayt to John Sansom. Asking for a copy of the bond given by masters of ships trading to Spain and Portugal. *Draft.* ¼ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 41.]

Nov. 21. **1,239.** John Sansom to William Blathwayt. Forwarding the bond given by all masters clearing to Spain and the Plantations. ¼ *p. Annexed,*

1,239. 1. Printed form of the bond in question. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 42, 42 1.]

Nov. 22. **1,240.** William Blathwayt to the Secretary of the Admiralty. The Lords of Trade desire some of the Commissioners of the Navy to attend on the 24th, to inform them what has been done or ordered as to shipping the recruits for the Duke of Bolton's regiment. *Draft.* ¾ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 43.]

Nov. 29. Admiralty. **1,241.** Secretary of Admiralty to William Blathwayt. The Navy Board had directions to take up shipping to transport the recruits of the Duke of Bolton's regiment to the West Indies, and I presume that they reported their proceedings, Nov. 22. I am now writing to ascertain what care is taken for the soldiers to be shipped at Portsmouth, and will acquaint you with their answer. *Signed,* J. Sotherne. ¾ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 44.]

Dec. 1. **1,242.** Resolution of the House of Commons. To address the King for levying an immediate embargo on all ships except such as carry provisions and ammunition to the Plantations, that sufficient seamen may be forthcoming for next year's fleet. *Copy.* 1 *p. Endorsed,* Read, 2 Dec. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 45.]

Dec. 2. **1,243.** Minute of the Committee of Trade and Plantations about ships. Brief notes as to the sailing of ships for various destinations. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 46.]

[Dec. 2.] **1,244.** List of merchant ships allowed to sail since the embargo of 18 September. *Draft.* 2 *pp. Endorsed,* Read in Council, 2 Dec., 1690. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 47.]

[Dec. ?] **1,245.** List of seventeen ships allowed to sail by particular permission to various quarters. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 48.]

Dec. 4. **1,246.** Minutes of Council of Trade and Plantations about ships. Brief notes as to shipping and seamen. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 49.]

Dec. 4. **1,247.** Consideration upon the present embargo. Rough notes in John Povey's hand, with several corrections. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 50.]

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[Dec.] **1,248.** Abstract of orders relating to the West Indian squadron. *Rough draft.* 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 51.]

Dec. 9. **1,249.** Petition of the traders to Virginia and Maryland to the House of Commons. We had prepared ships with eight hundred seamen to sail this year, and laid out over £150,000 in fitting them. They sailed for the Downs under convoy with men not exceeding the prescribed number, when on your address the King ordered them to be stopped until May next, which, owing to the perishableness of part of the cargo and the expense of fitting out, will be a loss of £40,000 to us, and will ruin many of the inhabitants. We beg you to intercede with the King for removal of the embargo. *Thirty-three signatures.* 1 *p. Endorsed,* Read in Parliament 9 Dec., 1690. Referred to the King.

1,249. I. Another copy of the Petition. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 52, 53.]

Dec. 9. **1,250.** Petition of the traders to Barbados to the same. We had prepared ships carrying four hundred men to sail, with provisions, clothing, arms, and ammunition. By our last advices the island was ready to perish for want of food and clothing. Unless these ships sail, the advantages gained over the French will be sacrificed, and we shall suffer heavy loss. We beg you to interpose for the removal of the embargo which was imposed upon your address. *Forty signatures.* 1 *p. Endorsed as the preceding.*

1,250. I. Duplicate. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 54, 55.]

Dec. 9. **1,251.** Petition of the traders to Jamaica to the House of Commons. To the same effect as the preceding. *Twelve signatures.* 1 *p. Endorsed,* Read in Parliament, 9 Dec., 1690. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 56.]

Dec. 9. **1,252.** Extract from the Journals of the House of Commons. The petitions from the traders to Virginia, Maryland, Barbados, and Jamaica were read. Resolved that such Members as are Councillors represent the matter to the King and beseech him to order what he thinks fit. 1 *p. Endorsed,* Read, 10 Dec., 1690. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 57.]

[1691 ?] **1,253.** ? to the Lords of the Treasury. Upon the petition of Thomas Dongan to the Queen, I find that he is entitled by several conveyances to great quantities of land in Staten Island and other parts of New York Province, of which he now desires confirmation. I am informed that most of Staten Island is held by him and other owners under reserved yearly rents of wheat, and his claims and the terms upon which he makes them are uncertain, but I understand that he desires a grant of the whole island with the fullest franchises. How far such a grant is reasonable or politic I cannot take it on me to determine. *Draft with many corrections.* 3 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 58.]

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[Feb. 26.] **1,254.** Memorandum of orders given by the Admiralty to Captain Wright of the West Indian Squadron on the 17th of November, 1690, and the 26th of February, 1691. *Rough draft.* ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 59.]

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[May 4.] **1,255.** Memorial of the Agents for the Leeward Islands. We have received advice from the Leeward Islands that all the shipping there is taken up for an expedition to Guadeloupe, so that it is not known what to propose for their trade at present. When we are further informed we shall make application to you. *Signed*, Bastiaen Bayer, Joseph Martyn, Richard Cary. ½ *p. Endorsed*, Read 4 May, 1691. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 66.]

May 7. **1,256.** Minute of the Privy Council. The King this day ordered that all ships giving bond to go to Newfoundland and to no other part of America might be permitted to sail, any former order to the contrary notwithstanding. ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 60.]

May 12. **1,257.** William Blathwayt to the Admiralty. The Lords of Trade and Plantations desire to know what convoys are appointed for Newfoundland, where they lie at present, at what time they are ordered to sail and under what orders. *Draft.* ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 61.]

May 14. Admiralty. **1,258.** Secretary of the Admiralty to William Blathwayt. In reply to yours of 12th, the *Kingfisher*, fourth-rate, and *Milford*, fifth-rate, are appointed convoys to Newfoundland. The former is now at Woolwich, refitting with all despatch; the latter is taking in her victuals at Sheerness. The instructions are to be the same as last year—to return direct to England as soon as the fishing ships had made their voyage. *Signed*, J. Sotherne. ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 62.]

May 15. Whitehall. **1,259.** William Blathwayt to the Secretary of the Customs. Asking what ships (with the numbers of their crews and burden) are gone out or cleared from any part of the kingdom for Newfoundland since the 1st of January. *Draft.* ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 63.]

May 22. **1,260.** Memorandum. That the Queen be moved to renew the order given last year for an engineer to go out to Newfoundland in the convoy. *Draft. Scrap.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 64.]

May 25. **1,261.** William Blathwayt to Secretary to the Admiralty. The Lords of Trade have discussed with the merchants the plans for next year's trade; and I am to send you the enclosed paper to be laid before the Admiralty. *Draft.* ½ *p. Attached,*

1,261. 1. A table, showing the dates at which the merchants desire the fleets to sail, with notes as to the details. *Large sheet.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 65, 65 I.]

May 28. **1,262.** Memorandum. It was this day ordered by the Queen in Council that the Admiralty give directions for the passage of an engineer on the convoy bound for Newfoundland, and for his victualling and accommodation during his voyage and his stay in the island. *Draft.* ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 67.]

June 29. Admiralty. **1,263.** Secretary of the Admiralty to William Blathwayt. The *Milford* and *Kingfisher* are the convoys appointed for Newfoundland.

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The former has been long in the Downs and the latter I hope is by this time there. *Signed*, J. Sotherne. ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 68.]

Aug. 18. Admiralty. **1,264.** Lords of the Admiralty to Lords of Trade and Plantations. We have informed the merchants that the convoys for the West Indies, Virginia and Maryland are intended to be ready to sail from the Nore on 15 September next, but having received no orders as to convoys designed for other parts we beg for your directions as to these last, that the merchants may have timely notice. *Signed*, J. Lowther, Ri. Onslow, Robt. Austen. 1 *p. Endorsed*, Read, 20 Aug. 1691. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXI., No.* 69.]

Aug. 20. Admiralty. **1,265.** Lords of the Admiralty to Lords of Trade and Plantations. Application has been made to us for protection to merchant ships designed for foreign parts. Would it not be well to ascertain the number of ships and men permitted to go with each trade, with a view to the manning of the Navy next spring, and that we should receive an Order in Council for our guidance in granting permissions and ordering convoys. *Signed*, J. Lowther, Ri. Onslow, Robt. Austen. ½ *p. Endorsed*, My Lord President desires a committee of Trade to be summoned on Monday at 5 in the afternoon. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 70.]

Aug. 24. **1,266.** Commissioners of Customs to Lords of Trade and Plantations. Concerning your request for information as to merchants' bonds, the Collector outwards has taken security of all English vessels clearing outwards, as well coastwise as over sea, not to go to France or to any part of Ireland not subject to the King's obedience. The Collector now brings these bonds for your inspection. But we think the inconveniences complained of are by merchants strangers and foreign shipping, from whom no such security is taken. By this means they may not only assist the enemy with such of our commodities as are useful to them, but may enjoy a trade forbidden to our own people, and we would submit to you how far it may be advisable to exact security from subjects of neutral princes. It occurs to us that the commodities of greatest importance to keep out of the enemy's hands might be named, and order given that, upon exportation, security shall be taken whether exported by English or strangers that they shall not be transported to France or any hostile part of Ireland. As to the practice of entering goods under other names than the true owners', it is the received opinion of this office that the laws against it operate only when the King is prejudiced in his customs; but we have directed our solicitor to inform himself thereon. *Signed*, R. Clayton, G. Boothe, Jo. Werden, R. Southwell, C. Godolphin. *Copy.* 2 *pp. Endorsed*, Read, 26 Aug., 1691. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 71.]

Sept. 6. **1,267.** Index of New England Papers, from 18 April, 1689, to 6 September, 1691. 14 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 72.]

Sept. 9. **1,268.** List of ships from various ports bound to the West Indies, which have received protections. 1 *p. Endorsed*, Read, 9 Sept., 1691. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 73.]

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Sept. 30. Custom House.

1,269. Commissioners of Customs to the Lords of the Treasury. By Order in Council of 20 August last the embargo on ships bound to the Plantations was raised until the 15th September, and by another order of 10th the time for ships bound to the West Indies was prolonged until to-day. It seems to us, therefore, that the embargo is again in force, and we are doubtful how to proceed until further instructed. *Signed*, Robert Clayton, G. Boothe, Jo. Werden, Robert Southwell, C. Godolphin. 1 *p.* *Endorsed*, Recd. 1st Oct., 1691. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 74.]

Oct. 1. Custom House.

1,270. Commissioners of Customs to Lords of the Treasury. Forwarding sundry lists of ships bound outwards. *Signed*, G. Boothe, Jo. Werden, Robt. Southwell, J. Warde, C. Godolphin. 1 *p.* *Enclosed*,

1,270. I. List of ships entered outwards from 26 August to 25 September, 1691. 1 *p.*

1,270. II. List of ships entered outwards for the Plantations from the beginning of June, 1691. 2½ *pp.*

1,270. III. Additional list of ships cleared to the Plantations.

1,270. IV. List of the Virginia and Maryland Fleet, 1691. 2 *pp.*

1,270. V. List of Bideford ships cleared for the Plantations. 1 *p.*

1,270. VI. Total number of ships cleared or to be cleared from all English Ports to the Plantations. 2 *pp.*

1,270. VII. List of ships from the outports bound to the Plantations, with their tonnage and number of their crews. 5 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 75, 75 I.-VII.]

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1,271. Abstract of ships going out by particular permission. 1½ *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 76.]

Oct. 5. Custom House.

1,272. Commissioners of Customs to the Lords of the Treasury. We have examined the list of ships bound from London to the Plantations on or before the 30th September, and enclose them herewith. Of the sixty-one ships bound for the West Indies all except eight were actually cleared by the 30th; but of the twenty-two bound for Virginia and Maryland only two are actually cleared, probably because the ships bound for those parts are not included in the Order in Council of 10 September, prolonging the clearing of ships for the West Indies, so that the former embargo seemed again to be in force upon that trade, and the merchants might reasonably expect some further limitation of time and convoys for them. Again this season, but twenty-two ships, with 561 men are entered as bound to Maryland and Virginia (possibly because most of the ships employed in that trade are now at Kingsale on their way home). Last year there were allotted from the port of London to that trade 46 ships and 800 men, so that the number this year will fall considerably short of last and the merchants will be under considerable hardship compared with those of the out-ports who have already carved to themselves double the proportion of men allowed to them last year, and may, for aught we know, be already on their voyages, that is to say all the ships from Land's End to Carlisle and from

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the Thames to Berwick, who by the order of 26 August last were at liberty to proceed after the 15th of September. We think, therefore, that further time and a larger proportion of men must be allowed to the trade, or at least the complement allowed to them last year, otherwise the merchants of this port will be at great disadvantage compared with those of out-ports. *Signed*, J. Warde, Rich. Temple, Jo. Werden, Robt. Southwell, C. Godolphin. 1½ *pp. Enclosed*,

1,272. I. List of ships bound to other parts of America besides the West Indies, Virginia and Maryland. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 77, 77 I.]

Oct. 6. Custom House. **1,273.** Commissioners of Customs to the Lords of the Treasury. At our last attendance in the Privy Council we were ordered not to clear any ships to the Plantations which were not cleared on or before the 30th of September last, and we await an Order in Council to that effect. Several ships laden with ordnance and other stores for the King's service in the Plantations are thereby detained; and we submit that an exception should be made in their favour. *Signed*, G. Boothe, Rich. Temple, Jo. Werden, Robert Southwell, C. Godolphin. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 78.]

Oct. 8. Custom House. **1,274.** Secretary of Customs to William Blathwayt. I return you the list of ships bound for Maryland and Virginia, with the answer of the Collector outwards on the back thereof. *Signed*, Jno. Sansom. Thank you for the news of the surrender of Limerick. ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 79.]

Oct. 10. **1,275.** William Blathwayt to the Secretary of the Admiralty. Pray inform me when the convoys to the West Indies will receive their last sailing orders, in order that directions may be sent to Portsmouth for putting on board the recruits for the Duke of Bolton's Regiment as soon as the ships arrive at St. Helens. *Draft.* ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 80.]

Oct. 10. **1,276.** William Blathwayt to the Secretary of the Admiralty. The Lords of Trade desire to be informed when the convoy specially appointed for the Portugal trade will be ready to sail, and recommend its most speedy despatch. *Draft.* ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 81.]

Oct. 12. Custom House. **1,277.** Secretary of Customs to William Blathwayt. I enclose the list of ships cleared outwards for the Straits and Turkey about December, 1689, also another list [*wanting*] of the ships that arrived from those parts in the last Straits' fleet. They have had before them the London merchants concerned in Virginia and Maryland, who take exception to several of the ships entered and cleared for that trade. As they ask a greater number of men and more time to fit out their ships, they resolved to apply direct to the Council. In their proposed adjustment no provision is made for New York, Pennsylvania or Carolina, whose ships together may want twenty-four men. *Signed*, Jno. Sansom. 1 *p. Enclosed*,

1,277. I. Lists of ships arrived in the port of London from the Straits in July, 1691. 2 *pp.*

1,277. II. List of ships for Virginia and Maryland. 1 *p.*

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1,277. III. Exceptions of the Merchants of Virginia and Maryland to the list No. II. Three of the ships are bound to Pennsylvania, and two more do not belong to the port of London. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 82, 82 I.-III.]

Oct. 12. **1,278.** Petition of the merchants trading to Virginia and Maryland to the Queen. Our case having been referred to you by the Commissioners of Customs, we beg to be heard. *Fifteen signatures.* 1 *p. Endorsed,* Recd. 12 October, 1691. At the Committee, 19 Oct., 1691. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 83.]

Oct. 12. Admiralty. **1,279.** Secretary of the Admiralty to William Blathwayt. The convoys for the West Indies have been in the Downs some days ready to sail, waiting only for the merchant ships going out of the river with victuals and stores; and when they get thither they will have orders to proceed to St. Helens, there to take in the soldiers. *Signed,* J. Sotherne. ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 84.]

Oct. 13. Admiralty. **1,280.** Secretary of the Admiralty to William Blathwayt. In reply to yours of 10th, there is no convoy specially appointed for the Portugal trade. In the accounts lately presented of convoys desired, it is mentioned that the Portugal and Spanish trades were designed to be provided for together, but the Admiralty has received no orders as to the convoys to be provided. *Signed,* J. Sotherne. ⅓ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 85.]

Oct. 15. St. Johns. **1,281.** The inhabitants of St. Johns, Newfoundland, to Captain Stephen Akarman. I have received yours of 16 June, being the only letter received from you since I wrote to you on the affairs of Newfoundland three years ago. I then sent home a petition to the King, but received no answer owing to the death of Sir Richard Floyd. I then sent a second petition to the present King, which was delivered by my friend Mr. Abraham Searle, of Plymouth. Therein we earnestly desired a Governor, which is mightily wanted here, for our servants have become our masters and will do nothing but what they think convenient, so that without some speedy course taken this land will be ruinated. We are still under great doubts and fears of the French, that our servants would assist them if they attacked us. As to the maintenance of a Governor, the inhabitants are willing to pay forty shillings per boat in fish, price current, which will be a suitable compensation for him to live upon; the fish to be paid on or before the 20th of August. The inhabitants are very willing to assist in raising fortifications, and our harbour may, with easy charge, be made almost impregnable. We have for our own security raised a small work according to the best of our judgments for our present defence, where we have a few guns; but we are in want of powder, shot, and other materials. I now intend home for London to appear before the King in Council, having had a ship and goods taken from me by a letter-of-marque belonging to London. I hope then to see you and give you a better account of our affairs. *Signed,* Wm. Strong, *and by eight more, two of them with marks.* 1 *p. Endorsed,* Read, 11 Jan., 1691-2. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 86.]

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Oct. 22. **1,282.** William Blathwayt to the Secretary of Customs. The Commissioners of Customs are ordered to apportion a thousand seamen to the ships allowed for the Virginia and Maryland trades from the port of London. The Lords of Trade expect some of the Commissioners to attend their meeting to-morrow with a report upon the matter. *Draft, with corrections.* 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 87.]

Oct. 22. **1,283.** The same to the same. The Lords of Trade expect the attendance of some of the Commissioners this evening at five o'clock, upon the business of the trade to other parts of America than Virginia, Maryland and the West Indies. *Draft.* ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 88.]

Oct. 24. Custom House. **1,284.** Secretary of Customs to William Blathwayt. I return the list of ships bound to Maryland and Virginia, as amended in the Council Chamber, also a transcript of it after the final adjustment, also a list of ships bound to other Colonies than the West Indies, Virginia and Maryland. *Signed*, Jno. Sansom. ½ *p. Enclosed,*

1,284. i. Commissioners of Customs to Lords of Trade and Plantations. 23 Oct., 1691. Four merchants trading to Virginia and Maryland have apportioned the thousand seamen allotted for their trade, and we have nothing to object to that adjustment. Nine ships from the original list are omitted, for special reasons, which have been explained. If the arrangement meets with your approval, the affair needs rapid despatch. *Signed*, Rich. Temple, Jo. Werden, Robert Southwell, Robt. Clayton, J. Warde. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 89, 89 i.]

Oct. 24. **1,285.** William Blathwayt to the Secretary of the Admiralty. Desiring to know when the victualling ships will join the convoy in the Downs. *Draft.* ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 90.]

Nov. 6. St. Nicholas Lane, London. **1,286.** John Bateman to John Povey. The three Guinea ships, to be sent out by the African Company, carry 50, 40, and 20 men. I will enquire to-morrow for the correspondents you wrote about. *Signed*, Jn. Bateman. ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 91.]

Dec. 4. On board the *Milford*, in Plymouth Sound. **1,287.** Charles Hawkins to Lords of Trade and Plantations. Enclosing answers to several queries submitted by them as to Newfoundland. *Signed*, Charles Hawkins. ½ *p. Annexed,*

1,287. i. Answers to several heads of enquiry concerning Newfoundland. (1) From Renouse to Bonavista there are 261 planters, 149 women, 309 children, 1,331 servants. Winter-fishing lasts from the middle of September to the end of October, from which time till the end of March they wood, fell stocks, saw wood, and make oars, from Renouse to Bay Verd, and prepare for the summer voyage, which lasts from the first week in May to the third week in August. In Trinity Bay and Bonavista they make no winter voyage, but from September till May they wood and fur, and then fit out for their summer's fishing, which lasts from the middle of June to the 10th of August, the fish not coming

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sooner on that coast, though in greater abundance than to the southward. The charge for the outset of a boat with five men for the season is £100, so that 200 quintals of fish (which often they do not exceed) does but bring in their first expense. This year some have made 500, some 400, but most 300 quintals, and six hogsheads of train per boat. The difference may be imputed to the carefulness of the men. They fish a small distance from the shore in boats, built in the country, which, fully laden, will make out 9 quintals of cured fish, which may wait at least six weeks from the first taking before it is fit to be shipped. This year's fish has been generally sold for 12*s*. per quintal, but for some years past from 8*s*. to 10*s*. Train this year is £10 to £14 a ton. I do not find that the Western Charter was violated in any material way.

(2) The Colony is unable to support itself. It has all its fishing craft and most of its provisions from England. New England sends provisions to about 300 tons yearly, which is brought in small vessels, which load refuse-fish for Barbados. (3) The planters do not destroy the woods, but have destroyed some of the Adventurers' boats, though so secretly as not to be discovered. All places, except St. Johns and Ferryland, are well furnished with wood to build landing-stages. (4) The planters do use the ships' room, but resign their place to the fishing ships when they come. (5) No damage is now done to stages by the by-boat-keepers, for the Adventurers lodge their stages, except the beds, which they break up and carry home for fuel. (6) The by-boat-keepers have no fishing craft from New England. (7) They have little sustenance from the land. In Trinity Bay and Bonavista they take £2000 value in furs, but little to the southward. (8) New England men import provisions from their own country and from the West Indies, which some invest in refuse-fish for Barbados, others in merchantable fish for Spain and Portugal, others for drapery and cordage, which are brought from England, others for wine, brandy, and oil, which they carry home. Servants have often stayed behind by reason of debt. (9) This year the planters employed 275 boats, 1,331 men, took 81,550 quintals of fish and made 325 tons of train. The planters sell their fish at the same price as the Adventurers, though at a greater charge by 30 *per cent.* (10) The New England men fish between their own coast and Nova Scotia, in small vessels of fifteen or twenty tons, carry it home to cure, and thence transport it to Bilbao where it is sold a dollar a quintal higher than Newfoundland fish, owing to its size. (11) This year there are no fishing ships; but their custom is for the master and company to have one third of the fish and train for their wages, paying no other charges than for

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boards and oars bought in the country. The allowance of provision is the same as in other voyages. (12) This year 88 sail of ships loaded 100,450 quintals of fish, of which 18 ships were for Cadiz, 6 for Alicant, 5 for Lisbon, 7 for Oporto, 23 for Bilbao, 14 for Barbados, 4 for the Western Islands, 3 for New England, and 8 for England. (13) No encouragement is given by masters for men to stay behind, nor did any stay last year. (14) The Western Charter is observed by all, so far as I could learn. (15) The French are best seated for fish and fur. They fish as we do, only they cure upon a beach and we upon flakes, which makes their fish more valuable by 3*s*. a quintal. They make generally 400 quintals of fish per boat. This year 14 sail were reported at Placentia, and 6 at St. Peters. They usually leave the country by the 20th of August. (16) There were in Placentia 250 inhabitants, and in St. Peters 220. The French merchants sell provisions to the planters at first cost besides the freight, and the planters sell their fish to them at 20 rialls per quintal, for which they take payment in goods and money. (17) The French inhabitants employ themselves in wooding and furring in the winter. (18) I could not ascertain what quantity of fish the French take or at what charge. (19) The French begin their fishing voyage at the end of March and end the 20th of July, leaving at the end of August for their markets in Spain and Italy. (20) Since the war the French trade has decreased in the land, in what proportion is unknown. (21) The French have only Placentia fortified. It was taken in 1689 by a privateer Captain, Herman Williamson, with thirty-five men, which he landed eight miles from the place. He surprised and took the place by night, imprisoned the Governor and all the inhabitants for six weeks and then left it, lading his ship with plunder. He threw all his guns but five into the sea, and left those five at St. John's, for their Majesties' service, where they now are. In May following a privateer of 24 guns and 140 men came to Ferryland to take vengeance, but Williamson, who was there, so briskly engaged him that he left the place and went to Bay-bulls. There he plundered the inhabitants and took a New England ship and a Dartmouth Ketch. In August following another privateer of 30 guns and 200 men arrived at Ferryland, and took a London ship and two more vessels. This last May, it is reported, a Governor and two hundred men arrived at Placentia from France to fortify the place. Last year sixteen English sail were taken by the French on the coasts of Newfoundland and New England, this year two. (22) There were in Placentia seven Englishmen married to French women, who in peace held a friendly correspondency,

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but now none. (23) No foreigners fish upon the Eastern coast except the French. (24) There is no certain account of French trade upon the Bank. From Canada ten sail have yearly laden thence with furs. The French in time of peace never suffered us to trade with Indians. What commerce we had was directly with them. (25) No other nation trades here, so far as is known. (26) No further account can be given of the French trade, as there is no correspondency between them and us. The places inhabited by us have this year been supplied by our English merchants residing at Cadiz, Lisbon and Bilbao, with fifteen foreign bottoms, laden with provisions and linen cloth. The New England men have yearly carried hence to their own country from 100 to 150 seamen and fishermen, which have remained there to the damage of the adventurers and planters. *Signed*, Charles Hawkins. 7¼ *pp.* *Endorsed*, Recd. at the Committee, 11 Jan. and 27 June, 1692.

1,287. II. Abstract of the foregoing. 1 *p.* *The whole endorsed*, Recd. 15 Dec., 1691. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 92, 92 I.-II.]

Dec. 21. **1,288.** Account of ships sent out by the Royal African Company from 1684 to 1691:—

1685	- - - - -	38 ships.
1686	- - - - -	32 ,,
1687	- - - - -	24 ,,
1688	- - - - -	24 ,,
1689	- - - - -	9 ,,
1690	- - - - -	6 ,,
1691	- - - - -	3 ,,

1 *p.* *Endorsed*, Recd. from the African Company, 21 Dec., 1691. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 93.]

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March 2. Whitehall. **1,289.** Order of the King. Referring the petition of Thomas Lane and others to the Attorney and Solicitor General for report. *Signed*, Sydney.

Petition of Thomas Lane and others. We have discovered mines, established fisheries and opened trade with the Indians in America, and have determined to supply your navy with masts and yards, and to establish the cultivation of cotton. We also learn that some of our lands will produce grapes that will furnish more generous wines than the Madeiras. We also design to produce tar, hemp and pitch, if we can procure your charter of incorporation, without which we dare not adventure the cost. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 103-105.]

July 22. Whitehall. **1,290.** Order of the King. Referring the Attorney General's report on the petition of Thomas Lane and Company to Lords of Trade and Plantations for report. *Signed*, Nottingham.

Report of the Attorney General on the petition of Thomas Lane and Company. The most essential matter, I apprehend, is not whether the charter requested by the petitioners may legally be

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granted, but whether its erection will be for the interest of the King and kingdom, of which I am not competent to judge. If the Lords of Trade see no objection to such a charter I see no reason why it should not be granted. *Signed*, J. Somers. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 105-107.]

Nov. 3. James City. **1,291.** Gov. Sir E. Andros to the Earl of Nottingham. *Same as Cal.* 1692, *No.* 2600. 3 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 109.]

Nov. 10. Portsmouth. **1,292.** Governor Sir William Beeston to (?). I came hither about the end of last week and hoped to have given your Lordship a more particular account than I can do yet. I found the *Falcon* and the two storeships for Jamaica here and ready to sail, only the *Falcon's* men were not paid, but will be in a day or two. Sir Francis Wheeler's squadron are also all ready except paying the men, but the fireships and some others being not yet come round from the river, there is no prospect when we shall sail. I have been urging Sir F. Wheeler, since it may be reasonably thought that the intention of H.M. in ordering this strength for the West Indies is to weaken if not wholly to root out the enemy in those parts, to call at Cayou, a settlement of the French on the main about 90 leagues to windward of Barbadoes. *Signed*, Wm. Beeston. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 110.]

Dec. 15. Admiralty. **1,293.** Secretary of the Admiralty to William Blathwayt. Forwarding a report by Captain Crawley, of H.M.S. *Reserve*, upon Newfoundland. *Signed*, J. Sotherne. ½ *p. Annexed*,

1,293. 1. Answers to articles of enquiry from the Lords of Trade and Plantations. (1) The number of English planters, all included, is 1,560. They depend wholly on fishing in summer and getting firewood and building their houses in winter. (2) The Colony depends on provisions imported from the British Isles and New England. (3) There is wood enough to supply the fishing-trade in all the convenient harbours for time to come out of mind. The inhabitants do not damage the materials left behind by the Adventurers. (4) The inhabitants use only their own stages, and only occupy the places of the Adventurers if the Adventurers come not. (5) The boat-keepers do not destroy the Adventurers' stages, but the masters of the ships take them down and store them. (6) The boat-keepers have all their fishing craft from old England, and nowhere else, but their provisions from England, Ireland, and New England. (7) There is no possibility of living six miles from the coast, by reason of the timber and rocks and want of arable land. The Southern part of the country takes no beaver nor furs. A small unknown quantity is taken at Trinity and Bonavista. (8) The trade from New England is provisions, sugar and molasses, with which they purchase refuse-fish for the Caribbees. No wine or brandy is imported; they are not debauched with rum; but fishing night and day

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they want liquor to enliven them against the cold. (9) The inhabitants have caught 95,900 quintals of fish. They employ 74 boats and 1,012 servants. They cannot afford fish so cheap as the Adventurers, the latter having an advantage of 30 or 40 *per cent.*; yet the inhabitants sell at the same rate as the Adventurers. (10) There is no fishing trade from New England on this coast. It is said that the fishing trade in New England decays owing to French privateers. (11) There have been no fishing ships from England since the war, and all fish taken has been taken (with few exceptions) by the planters. (12) About fifty-three sack ships have sailed for Spanish and Portuguese ports with fish, and eight for British ports with train. There are 218 stages, which are yearly repaired by the inhabitants. (13) No men have been left behind in the country since the war, for there have been no ships. (14) No known part of the Western Charter is violated except the rinding of trees, which is done by all alike including the Adventurers. (15) The French trade for furs, catch fish by Adventurers and inhabitants, and in all things do as we do. (16) There is said to be a fort and families in Placentia, but I cannot say what encouragement is given to planting. (17) The French planters lade ships with fish, and in the winter cut firing and repair their houses; they have a governor and about 150 soldiers. (18) We cannot ascertain what quantity of fish they catch, nor their rates and prices. (19) They come to the Coast five weeks sooner than we, and leave it a month earlier for Marseilles, Genoa and Leghorn. (20) The French trade has decreased since the war. (21) I cannot ascertain what forts the French have. (22) There is no commerce of the English with the French, nor do any English live among the French. (23) No foreigners fish on the Eastern coast. (24) I met no ships on the Bank nor on the coast adjoining, nor can hear any account of any. (25) The French can be disturbed only by force of arms. (26) No nations but the English and French have commerce with Newfoundland. (27) I can obtain no further particulars at present. 3 *pp.*

1,293. II. Table of the harbours in Newfoundland with the distances between them. 1 *p.*

1,293. III. Table of the inhabitants of Newfoundland, the quantity of fish and train made by them, and the ports to which the produce is exported. 2 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI, Nos.* 94, 94 I.-III.]

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April 7. **1,294.** Draft of charter of incorporation to Thomas Lane and Company. 3 *pp.*

Letter of John Povey to the Attorney General, referring the draft charter to the Attorney General for report. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 108-111.]

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April 19. **1,295.** Report of the Attorney General on the draft charter submitted by Thomas Lane and Company. I see nothing in the privileges suggested in the draft that call for objection, but there are certain alterations in form which are necessary. *Signed*, Edwd. Ward. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 112-113.]

May 25. Admiralty. **1,296.** Secretary of Admiralty to John Povey. A convoy is ready to proceed to Newfoundland. Has the Council of Trade any orders for it? *Signed*, J. Sotherne. ½ *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 95.]

May 30. **1,297.** Order of the King. Referring the petition of Richard Haynes and others to Lords of Trade and Plantations for report.

Petition of Richard Haynes, and others, residing in or near London. Some of us have for some time past maintained a trade to Pennsylvania with very good success, and have lately agreed to raise a large capital sum for augmenting and promoting a general trade. This end would be much forwarded if our public stock and estates, employed in the said trade, were secured from private debts and encumbrances and the lasting enjoyment of the same assured to us. We are advised that this cannot be unless we are incorporated, wherein we are by no means desirous of excluding others from trading to the same place. We beg you therefore to grant us a charter under the name of the Pennsylvania Company. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 86-88.]

June 12. **1,298.** John Povey to the Attorney General. Referring to him a petition and a draft charter submitted by Richard Haynes and others for the Pennsylvania Company. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *p.* 89.]

June 15. **1,299.** John Povey to the Attorney General. Desiring him to make such alterations as are needed in the draft charter of Thomas Lane and Company. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *p.* 113.]

July 20. **1,300.** The Attorney General to Lords of Trade and Plantations. I have considered the petitions and the draft charter of Richard Haynes and Company, and find nothing in the heads which the King may not grant if so inclined; but the draft being informal I have re-drafted it more formally and now submit it to you whether the persons nominated therein are fit to be Governors, Deputy Governors and assistants. *Signed*, Edw. Ward. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *p.* 90.]

Aug. 5. **1,301.** The Attorney General to Lords of Trade and Plantations. Forwarding a draft charter from Thomas Lane and Company, merchants of New Jersey. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *p.* 114.]

Aug. 24. **1,302.** Minutes of the Privy Council. Draft charters for Trading Companies to Pennsylvania and New Jersey were read, with the Attorney General's opinion thereon, and referred back to the Lords of Trade and Plantations, to whom the petitioners are to present an account of the quantity of tar, pitch and naval stores

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they will undertake to import into England for the use of the Royal Navy, and at what rates, also in what other commodities they intend to trade.

Abstract of the Pennsylvania Merchants' proposals. (1) On obtaining their charter they will apply themselves to making tar and pitch, and will send for men of knowledge therein from abroad. They will furnish the King with 10 tons at the end of the third year, and so forward at the market price, or sell it to the King in America. on six months' notice of the quantity required. They will also settle whale-fishers, plant hemp and flax, and will build ships and deliver plank. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 91, 92.]

Aug. **1,303.** Sir Robert Robinson to William Blathwayt. I framed a map of Newfoundland. The trade of the place is most important to England, employing 300 vessels, 9,000 seamen, and making gains of £300,000 a year. The Dutch employ many ships in Placentia, and about 100 on the Main Bank. If they should at this time seize our ports and secure St. Johns, Ferryland and Havre du Grace, they will easily command the whole country, and beat us out of the trade for ever; and this they may easily do. I advised King Charles to have a fort in each place. The French have one. *Signed*, Robt. Robinson. *A rambling statement.* 1 *p. Endorsed*, Aug., 1693. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 96.]

Sept. 15. Whitehall. **1,304.** John Povey to the Secretary of the Admiralty. Referring the proposals of the Pennsylvania Company as to Naval Stores to the Admiralty for report. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *p.* 93.]

Oct. 19. Admiralty. **1,305.** Lords of the Admiralty to Lords of Trade and Plantations. In the matter of the memorial of Sir John Moor, Sir Thomas Lane and other merchants trading to New Jersey, we think that the supply of Naval Stores, proposed by them, will be of great advantage, and we see no objection to their being incorporated, so long as other persons are not excluded from the trade. *Signed*, Falkland, J. Lowther, H. Priestman, P. (?R.) Rich, J. Sotherne. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *p.* 94.]

Oct. 19. **1,306.** A second letter of same date and to same effect concerning the Pennsylvania Company. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *p.* 116.]

Nov. 3. **1,307.** Secretary of the Admiralty to John Povey. Forwarding copies of accounts received from the Commander of the Newfoundland convoy. *Signed*, J. Sotherne. ½ *p. Annexed*,

1,307. I. Table of names of places in Newfoundland, and of the distances between them. 1 *p.*

1,307. II. Account of the number of the inhabitants, number of fishing ships, fish and train made in Newfoundland, and the ports to which the produce is shipped. 2 *pp.*

1,307. III. Replies to the heads of enquiry as to Newfoundland. (1) The number of English planters, all souls included, is 1,843. (8) The inhabitants have caught 104,670 quintals of fish, employing 303 boats and 1,098 servants. (10) There have been 59 fishing ships from England

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this year from 60 to 250 tons, with 1,100 men in pay. They caught 66,000 quintals. *The remainder of the* 26 *answers are practically identical with those given under date of* 15 *December*, 1692. 3 *pp. Endorsed*, Recd. 3rd Nov., 1693. Abstract read 18 July, '94. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 97, 97 I.-III.]

Dec. 14. Whitehall. **1,308**. Order of the King in Council. Permitting ships carrying 842 seamen to proceed to the Plantations despite the embargo, two Bristol ships being substituted for one from London. Two hundred English seamen of the eight hundred allowed to the Virginia and Maryland Trade are to be distributed by the Commissioners of Customs among the merchants of London, to be sent on the trade to the Sugar Plantations. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 3, 4.]

Dec. 14. Whitehall. **1,309**. Order of the King in Council. Laying an embargo on all ships except those trading to Holland, Flanders, Hamburgh, the East Country, Ireland and Newfoundland, until the Royal Fleet be ready to put to sea. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *p.* 8.]

Dec. 20. **1,310**. Minute of Lords of Trade and Plantations. Agreed to recommend the King to raise the embargo on certain ships for Virginia, Maryland, and Jamaica and permit them to sail with their competent number of English seamen. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 7, 8.]

Dec. 27. Whitehall. **1,311**. Minute of Lords of Trade and Plantations. We think that, all the conditions imposed by us having been complied with, the King may grant a charter to the Pennsylvania Company to supply the Navy with Naval Stores, if a clause be inserted empowering his Majesty to revoke the charter if after five years the Company have not fulfilled its engagements. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 97, 98.]

Dec. 27. **1,312**. Minute of Lords of Trade and Plantations. To the same effect, in favour of granting a charter to Thomas Lane and Company, merchants of New Jersey.

Note. This report being read on 24 December was respited until the petitioners should agree to the terms of the Pennsylvania Company, whereupon they brought in fresh proposals on 4 January, 1694. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *p.* 117.]

[1693 ?] **1,313**. Draft of a Memorandum, in John Povey's handwriting, respecting a dispute between Sir Edward Carteret and John de la Cloche respecting New Jersey. 1¼ *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 98.]

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Jan. 4. **1,314**. Proposals of Thomas Lane and Company, merchants trading to New Jersey. Within a year from the arrival of the first ship after the passing of our charter, we engage to furnish 20 tons of pitch and tar in the first year, 40 tons in the second, and afterwards yearly such quantities as the country will produce. We shall procure workmen to produce these goods to be delivered at such prices as their Lordships shall think fit, as also masts, timber, plank, hemp and flax. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *p.* 118.]

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Jan. 25. **1,315.** Certain arguments set forth by Sir Robert Robinson in favour of settling a government in Newfoundland. There used to be a Governor in Charles I.'s time, who made the French pay toll for fishing; but afterwards the place became vicious and debauched for want of a Governor, and there was and is great waste of timber for want of regulations. A Governor could be supported at little burden to the community, with advantage to its order and security. *Large sheet. A long rambling statement. Endorsed*, Recd. 25 Jan., 1693-4. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 99.]

Feb. 2. **1,316.** William Blathwayt to the Attorney General. Instructing him to prepare a clause to be added to the charter of the Pennsylvania Company in order to prevent stock-jobbing. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *p.* 95.]

[Feb.?] **1,317.** Additional proposals of the Pennsylvania Company. From the arrival of the first ship after the passing of our charter in the space of one year we engage to deliver twenty tons of pitch and tar, and in the next year forty tons, and in the successive year all that we can, which we believe will be a considerable quantity. If encouraged by the granting of a charter, we shall take care to provide workmen to draw the largest possible quantity at such a price as their Lordships shall think fit, we engage also to provide plank and timber, but we can say nothing as to hemp and flax, which need time to bring them to perfection. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 95-96.]

April 19. Whitehall. **1,318.** Order of the King in Council. Referring the petition of the Agents for the Pennsylvania Charter to Lords of Trade and Plantations for report.

Here follows, Petition of the Agents for the Pennsylvania Charter. Some five months since you granted us a Charter, on our entertaining certain proposals put forward on your behalf, for the produce of pitch and tar, determinable at will after five years. Having complied with all formalities, we sent forward two ships, are fitting out another, have bought 60,000 acres of land and have launched into divers contracts, unprofitable except for that purpose. A stop however is laid upon it pending the issue of some debates before the Lords of Trade relating to a charter there depending on behalf of New England, an ancient Colony at odds with one another, and as different from Pennsylvania in its infancy as in its forwardness, "and without opposition is likely to happen them, should their "success be governed by the others, whose is now wholly at an "end upon the undertakings of some Eastland merchants promising "to do the same thing.—These premises considered, your Petitioners "humbly pray Your Majesty (forasmuch as they are so forward in "their preparation) and that their charter is conditional and "temporary, and, in case the Eastland merchants shall act against "their interests and come up to your Majesty's designs, or your "Petitioners forget theirs and fall short of their securities, "or for any other supposed mischief or inconvenience, is (after "five years) incontrovertibly determinable by the very words of the "order, in your great justice to the promise given them and the "assurance they have placed in it, to take off all lets from the

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" passing their said charter, so as to pass the seals to be able to lay " hold of the present opportunity of a ship they are sending thither " towards answering Your Majesty's so great intent." *An extremely obscure document owing to the style.* [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 100-102.]

July 5. **1,319.** Secretary of the Admiralty to John Povey. A convoy is to sail shortly for Newfoundland. Have the Lords of Trade any orders to give to its commander? *Signed*, J. Sotherne. ½ *p. Endorsed*, Recd. 18 July, '94. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 100.]

July 26. Whitehall. **1,320.** Order of the Privy Council. Referring a petition from the Traders to Virginia, that the ships cleared to that place and Newfoundland may be stopped until certain other ships have joined them, and that protection and convoy may be granted to them, to the Lords of Trade and Plantations for report. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *p.* 22.]

Aug. 16. Whitehall. **1,321.** Order of the Privy Council. Referring the petition of the owners of the ship *Charles II.* to Lords of Trade and Plantations for report. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 147-148.]

Sept. 10. Custom House. **1,322.** Secretary of Customs to William Blathwayt. Sending lists of the ships cleared since 19 April for foreign ports, namely, 136 ships with 2,506 men. Those cleared for the Plantations, India, Guinea and the Straits have but 1,068 men, or deducting two-thirds for landsmen and foreigners, 841 English seamen. *Signed*, Jno. Sansom. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 23, 24.]

Sept. 11. **1,323.** Minute of Lords of Trade and Plantations. That the Lord President be desired to move the King to order the seizure of the ship *Charles II.*, with her commander and ship's company, wherever found. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *p.* 148.]

Sept. 19. **1,324.** Secretary of the Admiralty to William Blathwayt. Forwarding the Admiralty's report on trades for this year. The Barbados merchants said that they intended to send no ship at present.

Here follows the Report, showing that the Virginia and Maryland trade is allowed 1,000 seamen, and sails on the 20th of October, under convoy of three men-of-war. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 26-27.]

Oct. 4. Custom House, London. **1,325.** Commissioners of Customs to Lords of Trade and Plantations. As to trade this year, the Virginia and Maryland merchants are preparing their ships, but beg that the date of sailing may be deferred from 20th to 31st inst., after which they are content that no ship not ready shall be allowed to sail. The merchants to Barbados and the Leeward Islands say that they will have no ships ready till January next, when they desire to have a competent number of seamen for twenty ships. *Signed*, Robert Southwell, C. Godolphin, Walter Yonge, Ja. Chadwicke, Samuel Clarke. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 30-32.]

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Oct. 20. **1,326.** Minute of Lords of Trade and Plantations. As regards next year's trade, the Newfoundland merchants say they cannot yet tell what number of ships will be sent out, but desire a convoy to go with their fishing ships from Plymouth by 15 February next, without which the fishery cannot be carried on by them, and another convoy for their seal-ships in May. The Barbados merchants said that, if they could get a convoy, they would send off ships enough at the end of January to require 400 seamen.

The matter was referred to the Admiralty. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 38, 39.]

Oct. 24. **1,327.** Minute of the Admiralty. Upon the Minute of the Lords of Trade of 20th inst. we have already reported that it is necessary to lay an embargo on all shipping (except to Flanders, Holland and the Elbe) on 1st December, and we do not think it should be raised until the fleet is manned. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 40, 41.]

Oct. 25. **1,328.** Order of the Privy Council. Ordering the abstract of seamen required for the several trades to be referred to the Admiralty. The number of seamen required for Newfoundland is set down as uncertain, the number for Barbados at 400 and for Hudson's Bay at 150.

N.B.—The Admiralty announced on the 30th that until the Royal Fleet was manned they could not recommend the allowance of these numbers. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 42, 43.]

Nov. 15. Bay of Bulls, Newfoundland **1,329.** Captain Christopher Hogge to Lords of Trade and Plantations. I enclose my reply to your enquiries as to Newfoundland. The weather has been so thick and foggy that I could give you no better account. *Signed*, Chr. Hogge. ½ *p. Enclosed*,

1,329. 1. Answers to heads of enquiry as to Newfoundland. (1.) The planters in Newfoundland number 1,000, all souls included. (2.) They are obliged to import all subsistence. (3.) They do not destroy the woods, and there is plenty of timber left in proper places. (4.) They do make use of ships' rooms, in the ships' absence, and so force them to hire room. (5.) The boat-keepers and inhabitants do great damage to stages. (6.) They have no fishing craft from New England. (7.) They have little or no sustenance from the land. (8.) The Adventurers and inhabitants together employ 1,000 boats, and sent home last year 100,000 quintals of fish and 1,000 tons of train-oil. (12.) About 100 ships' men are left behind yearly. (15.) The French number about 800 souls. (20.) Placentia is well fortified, and the harbour made almost impregnable. *The remainder of the answers are practically the same as under date of* 15 *December*, 1692. 4 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 101, 101 I.]

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Feb. 13. **1,330.** Minute of Lords of Trade and Plantations. The Lords agree to recommend to the King the petition of the merchants of the Leeward Islands for an allowance of 200 English seamen, and the petition of the merchants of Barbados for an allowance of two

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hundred seamen, with protection for them from impressment by men-of-war in the West Indies. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 81-83.]

Feb. 28. Kensington. **1,331.** Order of the King in Council. Referring the petition of Hugh Redman to Lords of Trade and Plantations for report. *Signed*, John Nicholas. ½ *p. Annexed*,

1,331. I. Petition of Hugh Redman to the King. For many years I have been a great trader to Newfoundland, paying £10,000 into your customs annually; but in these last two years I have lost £18,000, chiefly in Newfoundland, owing to the French. Having a plantation and servants there I beg to be made Governor. *Copy.* 1 *p.*

1,331. II. Reasons for appointing a Governor in Newfoundland. The value of the trade, and the necessity for organizing defence against the French, who have a Governor, all of which is set forth at length. 2 *pp. The whole endorsed*, Recd. 2 March, 1694-5. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 102, 102 I.-II.]

[Feb. 28.] **1,332.** Abstract of Hugh Redman's petition. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 103.]

March 14. Admiralty. **1,333.** William Bridgeman to William Blathwayt. Forwarding the report of the Commodore of the Newfoundland Squadron upon Newfoundland. *Signed*, Wm. Bridgeman. ½ *p. Endorsed*, Recd. 19 March, 1694-5, Read 4 July, 1695. [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 104.]

June 20. Whitehall. **1,334.** Order of the Lords Justices of England in Council. Calling upon the Lords of Trade and Plantations to present a scheme for next year's trade. *Signed*, John Nicholas. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *p.* 119.]

July 24. **1,335.** William Blathwayt to William Lowndes. Forwarding the abstract of the merchants' proposals as to trade for the consideration of the Treasury.

The like letter to the Admiralty, 25 July, to the same purpose, for the consideration of the Admiralty.

Abstract of the proposals of the merchants. The Virginia merchants expect their ships back at the beginning of August, and hence, not knowing what number of men they will require, beg that the settlement of their quota may be deferred; but they believe their ships will be ready to sail in November. Their usual quota is 1,200 English seamen, 800 from London and 400 from the outports.

The Jamaica merchants desire 200 seamen, besides landsmen and foreigners, from the port of London and 100 from the outports; also two men-of-war to convoy their trade in October, not stopping at any port on their way out, protection for their men, and supernumerary seamen for the men-of-war on the station.

The Leeward Islands merchants desire 200 English seamen from the port of London and 100 from the outports; they desire their trade to sail not earlier than the last day of December, their convoy to be then ready in the Downs and to sail direct to the Leeward Islands without touching at Barbados.

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The Barbados merchants desire their usual quota of 400 English seamen from the port of London and 200 from the outports, and 300 landsmen and 50 seamen more to load wines at Madeira. They ask for two fourth-rates and a fifth-rate as convoy, with one fifth part in excess of their complement so as to supply the King's ships with men. They desire protection for their men at home, and that the convoy may be at the Nore ready to sail by the first fair wind after the 30th of November. Their first homeward fleet will be convoyed by the ships out there, their second fleet will arrive in July and will be convoyed by one of the ships now to be sent out.

The African Company desire protection for 250 seamen, to sail in September or October, which with 70 men now sailing in hired ships, and 70 more in their own ships, will make 390 seamen.

The Hudson's Bay Company ask for protection for 150 seamen, 60 by the 1st of March and the rest by the 1st of May. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 121-126.]

Aug. 11. Admiralty Office. **1,336.** Minute of the Admiralty on the proposals of the merchants, forwarded to them on 24 July. A general embargo should be laid on 1 December next on all foreign trades on this side of the Downs, excepting ships trading to Holland, Flanders, Hamburgh, the East Country and Ireland, and on all ships whatever trading to foreign parts (with the above exceptions) unless they be fully laden.

Ships designed to go with the convoy from the Western ports between Falmouth and the Downs should be ready to proceed to Spithead for their convoy on 15 November. The usual convoys will, we hope, be ready on the 1st of December.

We shall endeavour to comply with the request of the Barbados merchants for three convoys, if it be possible.

We are ready to grant the protection requested by the Hudson's Bay Company from 31 March, but not before.

We think that no ships should be permitted to proceed on foreign voyages (with the exceptions above named) after 1 December. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 127-129.]

Aug. 14. **1,337.** Minute of Lords of Trade and Plantations. Agreed that the report of the Admiralty on the merchants' proposals for next year's trade be laid before the Lords Justices in Council. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 129, 130.]

Aug. 15. **1,338.** Minute of the Privy Council. The reports of the Committee of Trade and of the Admiralty on next year's trade are to be referred back to the Committee of Trade, who after hearing the merchants, the Admiralty and the Commissioners of Customs, will report thereon. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *p.* 130.]

Aug. 27. Custom House. **1,339.** Commissioners of Customs to Lords of Trade and Plantations. On the proposals of the merchants as to next year's trade we have nothing to object to the quota of mariners requested by the merchants to the Plantations, if they can be spared. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 131, 132.]

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Aug. 28. **1,340.** Minute of Lords of Trade and Plantations. Upon the proposals of the merchants for next year's trade and the reports of the Admiralty and of the Commissioners of Customs thereupon, the Virginia merchants engage that their ships shall be cleared at Gravesend before the 1st of December, and the Barbados merchants also. The Leeward Islands merchants desire a convoy distinct from all other trades, and the Jamaica merchants desire their convoy to be ready by 10 November. All of which matters are to be referred to the Admiralty. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 138, 139.]

Sept. 3. Admiralty. **1,341.** William Bridgeman to William Blathwayt. The Admiralty, after considering the matters submitted to them by the Lords of Trade as to next year's trade, cannot recede from the report that they have already made. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *p.* 140.]

Sept. 7. **1,342.** Minute of Lords of Trade and Plantations. Agreed to lay the Admiralty's report of 11 August upon next year's trade before the Lords Justices in Council, that directions may be given according to what is proposed therein.

Here follows an abstract of the merchants' proposals. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 141-144.]

Sept. 12. Whitehall. **1,343.** Orders of the Lords Justices of England in Council. Order for a general embargo to be laid on the foreign trade in all English ports, as advised by the Admiralty in their report of 11 August. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 145-147.]

Nov. 6. **1,344.** Minute of the Lords of the Admiralty. On the petition of the merchants of Plymouth that when the Virginia fleet or any other fleet outward bound arrives off Plymouth with its convoy, some ships may be sent into Plymouth to conduct such ships as are then to join the rest, we think it will not be convenient in the case of any convoy to Westward to send a man-of-war to call the merchant-ships out of Plymouth, for such men-of-war have thus been left behind; but timely notice shall be sent when these convoys sail, to enable the Plymouth ships to join them. [*Board of Trade.* Trade Papers, 13. *pp.* 153, 154.]

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Aug. 31. **1,345.** Copy of Articles of Capitulation between Capt. Samuel Allen and Monsieur De la Forest, Governor of York or Bourbon Fort, Aug. 31, 1696. 2¼ *pp.* French. (*Cal.* 1698. *No.* 398 I.; *and* 1696. *No.* 471 IV.)

1,345. I. Translation of preceding. 1¼ *pp.* [*America and West Indies.* Hudson's Bay, 539. *Nos.* 2, 2 I.]

Sept. 24. **1,346.** Journal of House of Burgesses of Virginia. The Burgesses were sworn, and were bidden by the Governor to choose a Speaker.

Sept. 25. Robert Carter chosen Speaker, after which the House attended the Governor, who approved their choice and made a speech. The Governor's commission to Robert Beverley to be Clerk of the Burgesses was read. Committee of Elections and Privileges appointed. John Rimmington appointed door-keeper.

Sept. 26. The Governor's speech was received and read, to the following effect. The King has been graciously pleased to send us supplies

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of military stores and to accept the £500 voted by the Assembly in lieu of the furnishing a quota of 240 men to New York. He has also promised speedy assistance in case of a French attack on the Colonies. I hope that you will show your gratitude by taking measures to prevent surprise, to secure our military stores on our frontiers by sea and land for our better defence. I recommend as the easiest way that you continue duties or impost on liquors, to be appropriated to such uses as you find necessary, and for the purpose of lessening the levy by poll. *Speech ends.* The House was called over and absent members excused for this time. The Committee of Elections reported as to the election of members, and decided certain disputed elections. Three members appointed to ask the Governor to appoint a messenger for the House. Committee of Public Claims and Committee of Grievances and Propositions appointed, clerks appointed, and rules for their proceedings laid down. [*Board of Trade.* Virginia, 52. *pp.* 196-205.]

Oct. 5. **1,347.** Journal of House of Burgesses of Virginia. Several propositions and grievances considered and orders given thereupon. The following Bills were read a third time and passed: Bills to ascertain the value of money; to repeal the prohibition against planting tobacco; to reward Indians for killing wolves; to alter Accomack County Court-days. Bill to ascertain fees of County Court Clerks and Sheriffs read a third time and postponed. The bills for maintenance of the clergy and for dividing King and Queen County were read a second time and committed. Adjourned to 7th.

Oct. 7. On report of the Conferrers with the Council as to the disposal and distribution of the military stores and guns, it was resolved that such matters lie wholly within the Governor's discretion and are therefore left to him to do what he thinks best. Resolved to request the Governor to appoint lookers-out to seaward to guard against surprise. A further report of the Committee of Grievances and Propositions considered, and orders given thereupon. The bills passed on the 5th were sent up to Council. The amendments to the bills for punishing fornication, for dividing King and Queen County and for maintenance of the clergy, were approved, and the bills ordered for a third reading.

Oct. 8. A further report from the Committee of Grievances was considered, and orders given for the preparation of certain Bills. Message from the Governor promising all due regard to the address respecting land south of the Blackwater. The three Bills ordered on the 7th for third reading were passed and sent to Council. The following were read a first time and ordered a second reading: Bill to ascertain the place for York County Court; Bill to punish ministers who marry persons without banns or licence; bill for suing persons to outlawry; bill to ascertain the gauge of casks. The first of these bills was further read a second time.

Oct. 9. The bill as to York County Court was read a third time and passed; the three other bills brought in yesterday were read a second time and ordered for third reading. The following were read a first time and ordered for second reading: Bill for restraint of unruly horses; bill to punish non-appearance of evidences; bill

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for limitation of actions on judgments; bill for ascertaining damages on appeal.

Oct. 10. Committee appointed to inspect the accounts of the duty on liquors. Bill for suing persons to outlawry rejected on third reading. Bill to ascertain gauge of casks read a third time and passed. Three bills were returned by the Council, two of them with amendments to which the House agreed, and the third agreed to. The following bills were read a second time and ordered for third reading: Bill for limitation of actions; to punish non-appearance of evidences; to alter inconvenient roads. Bill as to unruly horses thrown out. Bills as to letters of attorney and for the better supply of the country with arms and ammunition were read a first time and ordered for second reading. [*Board of Trade.* Virginia, 52. *pp.* 232-246.]

Oct. 12. **1,348.** Journal of House of Burgesses of Virginia. The following bills were read a third time and passed: Bill for limitation of actions; bill to ascertain damages on appeals; bill to alter inconvenient roads; bill to punish non-appearance of evidences. Bills against clandestine marriages and as to letters of attorney were read a second time and ordered third reading, and a bill for pounds in Accomack and Northampton was read a first time.

Oct. 13. Adjourned till to-morrow. The Committee on the accounts of
Oct. 14. the liquor-duty made their report. The bill for arms and ammunition was brought up by a Committee, the amendments agreed to, and the bill ordered for third reading, as was also the bill for pounds in Accomack and Northampton. Bills to prevent mischief from Maryland Indians and to appoint Rangers were read a first time and ordered a second reading. The bills as to letters of attorney and clandestine marriages were read a third time and passed.

Oct. 15. The Committee for inspecting the accounts of the liquor-duty were ordered to require a further account from Colonel Charles Scarburgh. The bills for pounds in Northampton and Accomack and for supply of arms and ammunition were passed. Four bills returned by the Council, two with amendments, and those for ascertaining the value of money and for dividing King and Queen County rejected. Bill as to Maryland Indians read a second time, and ordered for third reading. The book of claims was brought up, and consideration thereof deferred.

Oct. 16. The bill as to County Court Clerks' fees was brought up, as altered, was read a first time and amended. Address to the Governor agreed to, as follows: (1) We have resolved to thank the King in an address for his bounty to us, and to enter upon an association to defend his interest; (2) As to the Clergy and the College, we have passed a bill giving 14,000*lbs.* of tobacco in cask, without any defalcation, glebe and perquisites to the clergy, and we judge the College to be in no want of our assistance; (3) We have prepared a bill to continue the Rangers; we beg you to appoint lookers-out to seaward, for whose pay we will make provision, and we leave the care of the military stores in your hands; (4) We are about laying an impost on liquors to ease the levy by poll. Three bills returned by the Council, two of them

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amended, and one agreed to. The said amendments were in one bill agreed to, but those to the Clergy bill were reserved for further consideration.

Oct. 17. Six bills returned by the Council, three of them agreed to, two amended, and that for alteration of inconvenient roads rejected. Bill as to County Court Clerks' fees read a second time. Bills as to Maryland Indians, and as to Rangers passed. The Council's amendments to the Clergy bill were considered and a conference requested, to which the Council agreed. [*Board of Trade.* Virginia, 52. *pp.* 246-256.]

Oct. 19. **1,349.** Journal of House of Burgesses of Virginia. Further orders were given to Colonel Scarburgh to perfect his accounts. The Association for defence of the King, and an address of congratulation and thanks to him for his care of the Colony and his indulgence to it in the matter of the quota of New York, were read and agreed to. Bill to regulate County Court clerks' fees read a third time and passed.

Oct. 20. The address was signed by the Speaker, and the Association by every member, and both were sent up to the Governor. Further report was made as to Col. Scarburgh's accounts. The Conferrers in the Clergy Bill having reported the matter of the Conference, the Burgesses resolved to adhere to their Bill with such amendments only as they had before agreed to. Book of claims considered.

Oct. 21. Committee of the whole House considered the allowance to the officers of the Burgesses. Four bills returned by the Council with amendments, some of which the House would not accept. The Conferrers on the Clergy Bill thereupon took up one of their bills only with them, being agreed to. Bill for impost on liquors read a first time. Book of Claims sent up to Council.

Oct. 22. Bill for impost on liquors thrown out on the second reading.

Oct. 23. Message from the Council, pointing out the ill return made by the Burgesses for the King's bounty in their behaviour as to the Clergy Bill, and pressing that it may be passed as amended by the Council. The House thereupon agreed to pass the bill with such alterations as the Council had offered to accept at the Conference, and so informed the Council.

Oct. 24. The Council sent down the Clergy Bill and another, agreed to according to the amendments, two more bills amended, and another bill rejected. [*Board of Trade.* Virginia, 52. *pp.* 257-266.]

1,350. Case of the Hudson's Bay Company in reference to the Canada Company of France and their servant Gabriel de la Forest. *Printed Fly Sheet.* 1 *p.* [*America and West Indies.* Hudson's Bay, 539. *No.* 4.]

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Jan. 15. **1,351.** Council of Trade and Plantations to the King. Representation about the capitulation of Fort York (Bourbon). $5\frac{3}{4}$ *pp.* (*See Cal.* 1697. *No.* 592.) [*America and West Indies.* Hudson's Bay, 539. *No.* 6.]

Jan. 27. Jamaica. **1,352.** Governor Sir William Beeston to the Duke of Shrewsbury. I transmit a duplicate of my letter of Oct. 17, 1696, and the

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news I have received of M. Amblmont's squadron, and the examination of three French prisoners taken by Capt. Moses. (*etc. Cal.* 1697. *No.* 639 vii.) The Spaniards, in spite of the peace, use our people barbarously. I send your Grace depositions of three Englishmen that have been prisoners among them. (*And see Cal.* 1697. *Nos.* 639, 639 i.-vi.) *Signed*, Wm. Beeston. 2 *pp. Enclosed*,

1,352. I. Copy of letter of same to same. Oct. 17, 1696. (*Cal.* 1696. *No.* 325.) 1 *p. Signed*, Wm. Beeston, *Endorsed*, Duplicate of my letter by the *Association* Galley.

1,352. II. Copy of news about the progress of the war received at Jamaica, Oct., 1696. 1 *p.*

1,352. III. Copy of examination of 3 French prisoners. Jan. 19, 1697. Information as to movements of French ships. 1½ *pp.*

1,352. IV. Copy of letter from M. Ducasse, Hispaniola, Jan. 30, 1697, to Gov. Sir Wm. Beeston, demanding the restoration of Grubbin etc. (*See Cal.* 1697. *No.* 639.) 1 *p.*

1,352. V. Copy of Depositions of Leonard Low, Charles Johnson, and George Bourchall, mariners, to the effect that in 1692-3 they and other Englishmen were seized by the Spaniards in the Bay of Campeecha, carried to Vera Cruz and there imprisoned, chained and forced to labour. 1¾ *pp.*

1,352. VI. Copy of Deposition of Edward James, master of a Jamaican sloop, as to outrages committed by the Spaniards upon his crew when forced ashore in Cuba. 30 Jan., 1686 (*presumably in error for* 1696-7).
Copy of deposition of Wm. Fullwood, master of the *Dolphin* of Philadelphia, as to a similar outrage by the Spaniards. 1½ *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 111, 111 I.-VI.]

May 19. Jamaica. **1,353.** Sir Wm. Beeston to the Duke of Shrewsbury. The approach of M. Pointis' squadron obliged me to detain H.M.S. *Southampton* and despatch the merchant ships without convoy. A fortnight past the *Morning Slave* of Holland, Abraham Leonardson, master, ran ashore on an island 12 leagues from here. He had been trading with the Spaniards. With the consent of the Council I allowed him to sell what he saved from the wreck. We made what preparation we could to resist M. Pointis, expecting his attack daily and putting ourselves to great expense. About March 20 he stood away for the Spanish Main. Had he come upon us I much question if we could have sustained the shock. On May 16, Vice-Admiral Nevill arrived with his squadron. Bad weather keeps him in port.

May 24. A sloop from Porto Rico reports the Galleons are coming here to victual.

May 25. Vice-Admiral Nevill sailed from Cartagena. *Signed*, Wm. Beeston. *Holograph.* 2 *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., No.* 112.]

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June 13. **1,354.** Governor Sir W. Beeston to the Duke of Shrewsbury. I enclose deposition of Edward James and Wm. Fullwood. [The Spanish] have killed many of our people in cold blood, wherever they have met with them, and when asked why, their common answer is "You are Heretick dogs and therefore ought to be destroyed." I hope His Majesty will take notice of this usage of his subjects; otherwise our people in revenge will destroy them. *Continues to same effect as Cal.* 1697, *No.* 1080, *paragraph* 2. *Signed*, Wm. Beeston. *Holograph.* 1 *p.* [*America and West Indies.* Jamaica, 540. *No.* 51.]

July 2. **1,355.** Council of Trade and Plantations to Mr. Secretary Trumbull. We enclose memorials as to New York, St. Christopher's, Newfoundland and the African Company, as desired. *Signed*, Tankerville, Ph. Meadows, John Locke, A. Hill. 1 *p.* *Annexed*,

1,355. 1. Memorial as to St. Christopher's. Setting forth the disputes of the English and French over the Island since the treaty of Breda in July, 1667 to 1686. 11 *pp.*

Copy of a letter from the Secretary of the African Company, 29 June, 1697. Relating damage done to the settlements in the Gambia from 1686 to 1688; the capture and destruction of Fort James on the Gambia in 1695 and the plunder of Sierre Leone in the course of the war. We hope that the French may be excluded from trading to those parts, having no factory there. 1½ *pp.*

Memorial as to New York. A brief summary of the attempts of the French to gain the Five Nations, and their encroachments to gain the beaver-trade from 1684 to 1696. 4 *pp.*

Memorial as to Newfoundland. Recounting the attacks of the French upon the island in 1694 and 1696. 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 105, 105 1.]

July 6. Whitehall. **1,356.** Council of Trade and Plantations to Mr. Secretary Trumbull. Forwarding memorials relating to Jamaica, and to Nova Scotia and New England, for the use of the Plenipotentiaries at the Hague. *Signed*, J. Bridgewater, Tankerville, Ph. Meadows, John Locke, Abr. Hill. ¼ *p.* *Enclosed*,

1,356. 1. Memorial respecting Jamaica. The damage done by the French in Jamaica during the present war is computed at £450,000. Our own attempt upon Hispaniola in 1695 had little success. Since 1687 the French Governor of Hispaniola has forbidden the inhabitants of Jamaica to fish for turtle, as they used, in the Isle des Vaches, which is accounted a hardship. 1 *p.*

Memorial respecting New England and Nova Scotia. Accadie was ceded to the French in 1670, but nevertheless the Governor of New York claimed the country from Pemtagout to the River St. Croix. In 1688 the French and Indians made raids on the Eastern frontier of New England. In 1690 Sir William Phips took Port Royal, which was shortly after retaken by the French. Since

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that time the country has remained open. In 1696 the French took and destroyed Pemaquid, whereupon the inhabitants fled. 2½ *pp.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 106, 106 I.]

July 9. Whitehall. **1,357.** Council of Trade and Plantations to Mr. Secretary Trumbull. Forwarding a statement of the damage done by the French to the Hudson's Bay Company from 1683 to 1696. ½ *p. Annexed,*

1,357. I. Memorial of the Hudson's Bay Company (*No.* 1,358). [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 107, 107 I.]

July 9. **1,358.** Memorial of the Hudson's Bay Company. The French have inflicted many great injuries upon the Company.

(i.) Invasion of Radisson, Aug. 14, 1683. Damage	£25,000	0	0
(ii.) Attempt on Port Nelson, 1684. Damage	£10,000	0	0
(iii.) Seizure of the *Perpetuana Merchant*, 1685. Damage	£7,014	19	8
(iv.) Destruction of Forts Albany, Rupert and Moose River, etc. (1686)	£50,000	0	0
(v.) Seizure of the *Hayes* sloop, 1687	£1,500	0	0
(vi.) Seizure of the *Churchill*, *Young*, and *Husband* frigates, etc. (1688)	£15,000	0	0
(vii.) Expense of recovering Albany Fort, 1693	£20,000	0	0
(viii.) Capture of York Fort by the French, 1694	£18,000	0	0
(ix.) Expense of retaking York Fort, 1696	£8,000	0	0
Total	£154,514	19	8

The Company have now only York Fort and Albany Fort. All the others they had were destroyed by the French. *Copy.* 4¾ *pp. Endorsed,* July 9, 1697. [*America and West Indies.* Hudson's Bay, 539. *No.* 7.]

Dec. 24. **1,359.** Council of Trade and Plantations to the King. Report as to the restoration of St. Christopher's or other parts of America. Copy. 6 *pp.* (*Same as Cal.* 1697, *No.* 124.) *Annexed,*

1,359. I. Rough draft of announcement to the French ambassador that orders are being prepared for the giving back of that part of St. Christopher's which the French held before the Declaration of War. As to the restitution of vessels unjustly seized, the two in question have been set at liberty. The King hopes that the six vessels detained so long at Dunquerque will be similarly treated. *French.* 1 *p.* [*Colonial Papers, Vol. LXVI., Nos.* 113, 113 I.]

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April 29. **1,360.** Copy of a Memorial relating to the capitulation of Fort Bourbon, 1696. (*See Cal.* 1698. *No.* 398.) 2 *pp. French.* [*America and West Indies.* Hudson's Bay, 539. *No.* 1.]

May 11. Cockpit. **1,361.** Council of Trade and Plantations to the King. Representation about the capitulation of Fort Bourbon, 1696. (*See Cal.* 1698. *No.* 450.) 2¾ *pp.* [*America and West Indies.* Hudson's Bay, 539. *No.* 5.]

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May 12. **1,362.** Copy of a Memorial received from the Hudson's Bay Company in answer to the French Memorial. (*See Cal.* 1698, *Nos.* 398, 449.) 4½ *pp.* [*America and West Indies.* Hudson's Bay, 539. *No.* 3.]

[? 1698.] **1,363.** An Account of the Hudson's Bay Company. An attack on the occasion of the Company's applying to Parliament "to be established in a boundless charter." Their trade is inconsiderable, their charter boundless and so void by law, giving as it does sovereign power to them: it engrosses the greatest part of the trade of New York and New England, cramps industry, and discourageth ingenuity, and is in itself of no moment to the nation. There is no need of a Joint-stock to carry on their trade, nor forts to secure it: their pretended forts are no better than pigsties in England, being a few pine-trees, squared and laid one upon another and rammed only with moss to keep out the wind. *Printed fly-sheet.* 1 *p. Undated.*

Case of the Hudson's Bay Company. (*Reply to preceding?*) *Printed fly-sheet.* 1 *p. Undated.*

Notes on the case of the Hudson's Bay Company in the handwriting of Mr. Secretary Vernon. ½ *p. Undated.* [*America and West Indies.* Hudson's Bay, 539. *Nos.* 14, 12, 13.]

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16. BARTHOLOMÆI DE COTTON, MONACHI NORWICENSIS, HISTORIA ANGLICANA, 449–1298; necnon ejusdem Liber de Archiepiscopis et Episcopis Angliæ. *Edited by* HENRY RICHARDS LUARD, M.A., Fellow and Assistant Tutor of Trinity College, Cambridge. 1859.

17. BRUT Y TYWYSOGION; or, The Chronicle of the Princes of Wales. *Edited by* the Rev. JOHN WILLIAMS AB ITHEL, M.A. 1860.

This work, written in the ancient Welsh language, begins with the adbication and death of Caedwala at Rome, in the year 681, and continues the history down to the subjugation of Wales by Edward I., about the year 1282.

8. A COLLECTION OF ROYAL AND HISTORICAL LETTERS DURING THE REIGN OF HENRY IV. 1399–1404. *Edited by* the Rev. F. C. HINGESTON, M.A., of Exeter College, Oxford. 1860.

19. THE REPRESSOR OF OVER MUCH BLAMING OF THE CLERGY. By REGINALD PECOCK, sometime Bishop of Chichester. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* the Rev. CHURCHILL BABINGTON, B.D., Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge. 1860.

The author was born about the end of the fourteenth century, consecrated Bishop of St. Asaph in the year 1444, and translated to the see of Chichester in 1450. His work gives a full account of the views of the Lollards, and has great value for the philologist.

20. ANNALES CAMBRIÆ. *Edited by* the Rev. JOHN WILLIAMS AB ITHEL M.A. 1860.

These annals, which are in Latin, commence in 447 and come down to 1288. The earlier portion appears to be taken from an Irish Chronicle used by Tigernach, and by the compiler of the Annals of Ulster.

21. THE WORKS OF GIRALDUS CAMBRENSIS. Vols. I.–IV. *Edited by* the Rev. J. S. BREWER, M.A., Professor of English Literature, King's College, London. Vols. V.-VII. *Edited by* the Rev. JAMES F. DIMOCK, M.A., Rector of Barnburgh, Yorkshire. Vol. VIII. *Edited by* GEORGE F. WARNER, M.A., of the Department of MSS., British Museum. 1861–1891.

These volumes contain the historical works of Gerald du Barry, who lived in the reigns of Henry II., Richard I., and John.

The *Topographia Hibernica* (in Vol. V.) is the result of Giraldus' two visits to Ireland, the first in 1183, the second in 1185-6, when he accompanied Prince John into that country. The *Expugnatio Hibernica* was written about 1188. Vol. VI. contains the *Itinerarium Kambriæ et Descriptio Kambriæ*; and Vol. VII., the lives of S. Remigius and S. Hugh. Vol. VIII. contains the Treatise *De Principum Instructione*, and an index to Vols. I.-IV. and VIII.

22. LETTERS AND PAPERS ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE WARS OF THE ENGLISH IN FRANCE DURING THE REIGN OF HENRY THE SIXTH, KING OF ENGLAND. Vol. I., and Vol. II. (in Two Parts). *Edited by* the Rev. JOSEPH STEVENSON, M.A., Vicar of Leighton Buzzard. 1861–1864.

23. THE ANGLO-SAXON CHRONICLE, ACCORDING TO THE SEVERAL ORIGINAL AUTHORITIES. Vol. I., Original Texts. Vol. II., Translation. *Edited and translated by* BENJAMIN THORPE, Member of the Royal Academy of Sciences at Munich, and of the Society of Netherlandish Literature at Leyden. 1861.

There are at present six independent manuscripts of the Saxon Chronicle, ending in different years, and written in different parts of the country. In this edition, the text of each manuscript is printed in columns on the same page, so that the student may see at a glance the various changes which occur in orthography.

24. LETTERS AND PAPERS ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE REIGNS OF RICHARD III. AND HENRY VII. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* JAMES GARDINER, 1861–1863.

The principal contents of the volumes are some diplomatic Papers of Richard III., correspondence between Henry VII. and Ferdinand and Isabella of Spain; documents relating to Edmund de la Pole, Earl of Suffolk; and a portion of the correspondence of James IV. of Scotland.

25. LETTERS OF BISHOP GROSSETESTE. *Edited by* the Rev. HENRY RICHARDS LUARD, M.A., Fellow and Assistant Tutor of Trinity College, Cambridge. 1861.

The letters of Robert Grosseteste range in date from about 1210 to 1253. They refer especially to the diocese of Lincoln, of which Grosseteste was bishop.

26. DESCRIPTIVE CATALOGUE OF MANUSCRIPTS RELATING TO THE HISTORY OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND. Vol. I. (in Two Parts), Anterior to the Norman Invasion. (*Out of Print*); Vol. II., 1066–1200; Vol. III., 1200–1327. *By* Sir THOMAS DUFFUS HARDY, D.C.L., Deputy Keeper of the Records. 1862–1871.

27. ROYAL AND OTHER HISTORICAL LETTERS ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE REIGN OF HENRY III. Vol. I. 1216–1235. Vol. II. 1236–1272. *Selected and edited by* the Rev. W. W. SHIRLEY, D.D., Regius Professor of Ecclesiastical History, and Canon of Christ Church, Oxford. 1862–1866.

28. CHRONICA MONASTERII S. ALBANI :—

1. THOMÆ WALSINGHAM HISTORIA ANGLICANA. Vol I., 1272-1381 ; Vol. II., 1381–1422.

2. WILLELMI RISHANGER CHRONICA ET ANNALES, 1259–1307.

3. JOHANNIS DE TROKELOWE ET HENRICI DE BLANEFORDE CHRONICA ET ANNALES 1259–1296 ; 1307–1324 ; 1392–1406.

4. GESTA ABBATUM MONASTERII S. ALBANI, A THOMA WALSINGHAM, REGNANTE RICARDO SECUNDO, EJUSDEM ECCLESIÆ PRÆCENTORE, COMPILATA. Vol. I., 793–1290: Vol. II., 1290–1349 : Vol. III., 1349–1411.

5. JOHANNIS AMUNDESHAM, MONACHI MONASTERII S. ALBANI, UT VIDETUR, ANNALES ; Vols. I. and II.

6. REGISTRA QUORUNDAM ABBATUM MONASTERII S. ALBANI, QUI SÆCULO XV^mo^ FLORUERE. Vol. I., REGISTRUM ABBATIÆ JOHANNIS WHETHAMSTEDE, ABBATIS MONASTERII SANCTI ALBANI, ITERUM SUSCEPTÆ ; ROBERTO BLAKENEY, CAPELLANO, QUONDAM ADSCRIPTUM : Vol. II., REGISTRA JOHANNIS WHETHAMSTEDE, WILLELMI ALBON, ET WILLELMI WALINGFORDE, ABBATUM MONASTERII SANCTI ALBANI, CUM APPENDICE CONTINENTE QUASDAM EPISTOLAS A JOHANNE WHETHAMSTEDE CONSCRIPTAS.

7. YPODIGMA NEUSTRIÆ A THOMA WALSINGHAM, QUONDAM MONACHO MONASTERII S. ALBANI, CONSCRIPTUM.

Edited by HENRY THOMAS RILEY, M.A., Barrister-at-Law. 1863–1876.

In the first two volumes is a History of England, from the death of Henry III. to the death of Henry V., by Thomas Walsingham, Precentor of St. Albans.

In the 3rd volume is a Chronicle of English History, attributed to William Rishanger, who lived in the reign of Edward I. : an account of transactions attending the award of the kingdom of Scotland to John Balliol, 1291-1292, also attributed to William Rishanger, but on no sufficient ground : a short Chronicle of English History, 1292 to 1300, by an unknown hand a short Chronicle, Willelmi Rishanger Gesta Edwardi Primi, Regis Angliæ, probably by the same hand : and fragments of three Chronicles of English History, 1285 to 1307.

In the 4th volume is a Chronicle of English History, 1259 to 1296 : Annals of Edward II., 1307 to 1323, by John de Trokelowe, a monk of St. Albans, and a continuation of Trokelowe's Annals, 1323, 1324, by Henry de Blaneforde : a full Chronicle of English History, 1392 to 1406, and an account of the benefactors of St. Albans, written in the early part of the 15th century.

The 5th, 6th, and 7th volumes contain a history of the Abbots of St. Albans, 793 to 1411, mainly compiled by Thomas Walsingham, with a Continuation.

The 8th and 9th volumes, in continuation of the Annals, contain a Chronicle probably of John Amundesham, a monk of St. Albans.

The 10th and 11th volumes relate especially to the acts and proceedings of Abbots Wethamstede, Albon, and Wallingford.

The 12th volume contains a compendious History of England to the reign of Henry V. and of Normandy in early times also by Thomas Walsingham, and dedicated to Henry V.

29. CHRONICON ABBATIÆ EVESHAMENSIS, AUCTORIBUS DOMINICO PRIORE EVESHAMIÆ ET THOMA DE MARLEBERGE ABBATE, A FUNDATIONE AD ANNUM 1213, UNA CUM CONTINUATIONE AD ANNUM 1418. *Edited by* the Rev. W. D. MACRAY, Bodleian Library, Oxford. 1863.

The Chronicle of Evesham illustrates the history of that important monastery from 690 to 1418. Its chief feature is an autobiography, which makes us acquainted with the inner daily life of a great abbey. Interspersed are many notices of general, personal, and local history.

30. RICARDI DE CIRENCESTRIA SPECULUM HISTORIALE DE GESTIS REGUM ANGLIÆ. Vol. I., 447–871. Vol. II., 872–1066. *Edited by* JOHN E. B. MAYOR, M.A., Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge. 1863–1869.

Richard of Cirencester's history is in four books, and gives many charters in favour of Westminster Abbey, and a very full account of the lives and miracles of the saints, especially of Edward the Confessor, whose reign occupies the fourth book. A treatise on the Coronation, by William of Sudbury, a monk of Westminster, fills book ii. c. 3.

31. YEAR BOOKS OF THE REIGNS OF EDWARD THE FIRST AND EDWARD THE THIRD. Years 21–21, 21–22, 30–31, 32–33, and 33–35 Edw. I ; and 11–12 Edw. III. *Edited and translated by* ALFRED JOHN HORWOOD, Barrister-at-Law. Years 12–13, 13–14, 14, 14–15, 15, 16, 17, 17–18, 18–19, 19, and 20 (First Part), Edward III. *Edited and translated by* LUKE OWEN PIKE, M.A., Barrister-at-Law. 1863–1908.

32. NARRATIVES OF THE EXPULSION OF THE ENGLISH FROM NORMANDY, 1449–1450.—Robertus Blondelli de Reductione Normanniæ: Le Recouvrement de Normendie, par Berry, Hérault du Roy: Conferences between the Ambassadors of France and England. *Edited by* the Rev. JOSEPH STEVENSON, M.A. 1863.

33. HISTORIA ET CARTULARIUM MONASTERII S. PETRI GLOUCESTRIÆ Vols. I.–III. *Edited by* W. H. HART, F.S.A., Membre Correspondant de la Société des Antiquaires de Normandie. 1863–1867.

34. ALEXANDRI NECKAM DE NATURIS RERUM LIBRI DUO; with NECKAM'S POEM, DE LAUDIBUS DIVINÆ SAPIENTIÆ. *Edited by* THOMAS WRIGHT, M.A. 1863.

35. LEECHDOMS, WORTCUNNING, AND STARCRAFT OF EARLY ENGLAND; being a Collection of Documents illustrating the History of Science in this Country before the Norman Conquest. Vols. I.–III. *Collected and edited by* the Rev. T. OSWALD COCKAYNE, M.A. 1864–1866.

36. ANNALES MONASTICI.

Vol. I.:—Annales de Margan, 1066–1232; Annales de Theokesberia, 1066–1263; Annales de Burton, 1004–1263.

Vol. II.:—Annales Monasterii de Wintonia, 519–1277; Annales Monasterii de Waverleia, 1–1291.

Vol. III.:—Annales Prioratus de Dunstaplia, 1–1297. Annales Monasterii de Bermundeseia, 1042–1432.

Vol. IV.:—Annales Monasterii de Oseneia, 1016–1347; Chronicon vulgo dictum Chronicon Thomæ Wykes, 1066–1289; Annales. Prioratus de Wigornia, 1–1377.

Vol. V.:—Index and Glossary.

Edited by HENRY RICHARDS LUARDS, M.A., Fellow and Assistant Tutor of Trinity College, and Registrary of the University, Cambridge. 1864–1869.

37. MAGNA VITA S. HUGONIS EPISCOPI LINCOLNIENSIS. *Edited by* the Rev. JAMES F. DIMOCK, M.A., Rector of Barnburgh, Yorkshire 1864.

38. CHRONICLES AND MEMORIALS OF THE REIGN OF RICHARD THE FIRST.

Vol. I.:—ITINERARIUM PEREGRINORUM ET GESTA REGIS RICARDI.

Vol. II.:—EPISTOLÆ CANTUARIENSES; the Letters of the Prior and Convent of Christ Church, Canterbury; 1187 to 1199.

Edited by the Rev. WILLIAM STUBBS, M.A., Vicar of Navestock, Essex, and Lambeth Librarian. 1864–1865.

The authorship of the Chronicle in Vol. I., hitherto ascribed to Geoffrey Vinesauf, is now more correctly ascribed to Richard, Canon of the Holy Trinity of London.
The letters in Vol. II., written between 1187 and 1199, had their origin in a dispute which arose from the attempts of Baldwin and Hubert, archbishops of Canterbury, to found a college of secular canons, a project which gave great umbrage to the monks of Canterbury.

39. RECUEIL DES CRONIQUES ET ANCHIENNES ISTORIES DE LA GRANT BRETAIGNE A PRESENT NOMME ENGLETERRE, par JEHAN DE WAURIN. Vol. I., Albina to 688. Vol. II., 1399–1422. Vol. III., 1422–1431. *Edited by* WILLIAM HARDY, F.S.A. 1864–1879. Vol. IV., 1431–1447. Vol. V., 1447–1471. *Edited by* Sir WILLIAM HARDY, F.S.A., and EDWARD L. C. P. HARDY, F.S.A. 1884–1891.

40. A COLLECTION OF THE CHRONICLES AND ANCIENT HISTORIES OF GREAT BRITAIN, NOW CALLED ENGLAND, by JOHN DE WAURIN. Vol. I., Albina to 688. Vol. II., 1399–1422. Vol. III., 1422–1431. (Translations of the preceding Vols. I., II., and III. *Edited and translated by* Sir WILLIAM HARDY, F.S.A., and EDWARD L. C. P. HARDY, F.S.A. 1864–1891.

41. POLYCHRONICON RANULPHI HIGDEN, with Trevisa's Translation. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* CHURCHILL BABINGTON, B.D., Senior Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge. Vols. III.–IX. *Edited by* the Rev. JOSEPH RAWSON LUMBY, D.D., Norrisian Professor of Divinity, Vicar of St. Edward's, Fellow of St. Catharine's College, and late Fellow of Magdalene College, Cambridge. 1865–1886.

This chronicle begins with the Creation, and is brought down to the reign of Edward III. The two English translations, which are printed with the original Latin, afford interesting illustrations of the gradual change of our language, for one was made in the fourteenth century, the other in the fifteenth.

42. LE LIVERE DE REIS DE BRITTANIE E LE LIVERE DE REIS DE ENGLETERE. *Edited by* the Rev. JOHN GLOVER, M.A., Vicar of Brading, Isle of Wight, formerly Librarian of Trinity College, Cambridge. 1865.

These two treatises are valuable as careful abstracts of previous histories.

43. CHRONICA MONASTERII DE MELSA AB ANNO 1150 USQUE AD ANNUM 1406, Vols. I.–III. *Edited by* EDWARD AUGUSTUS BOND, Assistant Keeper of Manuscripts, and Egerton Librarian, British Museum. 1866–1868.

44. MATTHÆI PARISIENSIS HISTORIA ANGLORUM, SIVE UT VULGO DICITUR HISTORIA MINOR. Vols. I.–III. 1067–1253. *Edited by* Sir FREDERICK MADDEN, K.H., Keeper of the Manuscript Department of the British Museum. 1866-1869.

45. LIBER MONASTERII DE HYDA: A CHRONICLE AND CHARTULARY OF HYDE ABBEY, WINCHESTER, 455–1023. *Edited by* EDWARD EDWARDS. 1866.

The "Book of Hyde" is a compilation from much earlier sources, which are usually indicated with considerable care and precision. In many cases, however, the Hyde Chronicler appears to correct, to qualify, or to amplify the statements which, in substance, he adopts.
There is to be found, in the "Book of Hyde," much information relating to the reign of King Alfred which is not known to exist elsewhere. The volume contains some curious specimens of Anglo-Saxon and mediæval English.

46. CHRONICON SCOTORUM. A CHRONICLE OF IRISH AFFAIRS, from the earliest times to 1135; and SUPPLEMENT, containing the events from 1141 to 1150. *Edited, with Translation, by* WILLIAM MAUNSELL HENNESSY, M.R.I.A. 1866.

47. THE CHRONICLE OF PIERRE DE LANGTOFT IN FRENCH VERSE, FROM THE EARLIEST PERIOD TO THE DEATH OF EDWARD I. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* THOMAS WRIGHT, M.A. 1866–1868.

It is probable that Pierre de Langtoft was a canon of Bridlington, in Yorkshire and lived in the reign of Edward I., and during a portion of the reign of Edward II. This chronicle is divided into three parts; in the first, is an abridgement of Geoffrey of Monmouth's "Historia Britonum"; in the second, a history of the Anglo-Saxon and Norman kings, to the death of Henry III.; in the third, a history of the reign of Edward I. The language is a specimen of the French of Yorkshire.

48. THE WAR OF THE GAEDHIL WITH THE GAILL, or THE INVASIONS OF IRELAND BY THE DANES AND OTHER NORSEMEN. *Edited, with a Translation, by* the Rev. JAMES HENTHORN TODD, D.D., Senior Fellow of Trinity College, and Regius Professor of Hebrew in the University of Dublin. 1867.

49. GESTA REGIS HENRICI SECUNDI BENEDICTI ABBATIS. CHRONICLE OF THE REIGNS OF HENRY II. AND RICHARD I., 1169–1192, known under the name of BENEDICT OF PETERBOROUGH. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* the Rev. WILLIAM STUBBS, M.A., Regius Professor of Modern History, Oxford, and Lambeth Librarian. 1867.

50. MUNIMENTA ACADEMICA, OR DOCUMENTS ILLUSTRATIVE OF ACADEMICAL LIFE AND STUDIES AT OXFORD (in Two Parts). *Edited by* the Rev. HENRY ANSTEY, M.A., Vicar of St. Wendron, Cornwall, and late Vice-Principal of St. Mary Hall, Oxford. 1868.

51. CHRONICA MAGISTRI ROGERI DE HOUEDENE. Vols. I.–IV. *Edited by* the Rev. WILLIAM STUBBS, M.A., Regius Professor of Modern History and Fellow of Oriel College, Oxford. 1868–1871.

The earlier portion, extending from 732 to 1148, appears to be a copy of a compilation made in Northumbria about 1161, to which Hoveden added little. From 1148 to 1169—a very valuable portion of this work—the matter is derived from another source, to which Hoveden appears to have supplied little. From 1170 to 1192 is the portion which corresponds to some extent with the Chronicle known under the name of Benedict of Peterborough (*see* No. 49). From 1192 to 1201 may be said to be wholly Hoveden's work.

52. WILLELMI MALMESBIRIENSIS MONACHI DE GESTIS PONTIFICUM ANGLORUM LIBRI QUINQUE. *Edited by* N. E. S. A. HAMILTON, of the Department of Manuscripts, British Museum. 1870.

53. HISTORIC AND MUNICIPAL DOCUMENTS OF IRELAND, FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE CITY OF DUBLIN, &c. 1172–1320. *Edited by* JOHN T. GILBERT, F.S.A., Secretary of the Public Record Office of Ireland. 1870.

54. THE ANNALS OF LOCH CÉ. A CHRONICLE OF IRISH AFFAIRS, FROM 1041 to 1590. Vols. I. and II. *Edited, with a Translation, by* WILLIAM MAUNSELL HENNESSY, M.R.I.A. 1871. (*Out of print.*)

55. MONUMENTA JURIDICA. THE BLACK BOOK OF THE ADMIRALTY, WITH APPENDICES, Vols. I.–IV. *Edited by* Sir TRAVERS TWISS, Q.C., D.C.L. 1871–1876.

This book contains the ancient ordinances and laws relating to the navy.

56. MEMORIALS OF THE REIGN OF HENRY VI. :—OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE OF THOMAS BEKYNTON, SECRETARY TO HENRY VI., AND BISHOP OF BATH AND WELLS. *Edited by* the Rev. GEORGE WILLIAMS, B.D., Vicar of Ringwood, late Fellow of King's College, Cambridge. Vols. I. and II. 1872.

57. MATTHÆI PARISIENSIS, MONACHI SANCTI ALBANI, CHRONICA MAJORA Vol. I. The Creation to A.D. 1066. Vol. II. 1067 to 1216. Vol. III. 1216 to 1239. Vol. IV. 1240 to 1247. Vol. V. 1248 to 1259. Vol. VI. Additamenta. Vol. VII. Index. *Edited by* the Rev. HENRY RICHARDS LUARD, D.D., Fellow of Trinity College, Registrary of the University, and Vicar of Great St. Mary's, Cambridge. 1872–1884.

58. MEMORIALE FRATRIS WALTERI DE COVENTRIA.—THE HISTORICAL COLLECTIONS OF WALTER OF COVENTRY. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* the Rev. WILLIAM STUBBS, M.A., Regius Professor of Modern History, and Fellow of Oriel College, Oxford. 1872–1873.

59. THE ANGLO-LATIN SATIRICAL POETS AND EPIGRAMMATISTS OF THE TWELFTH CENTURY. Vols. I. and II. *Collected and edited by* THOMAS WRIGHT, M.A., Corresponding Member of the National Institute of France (Académie des Inscriptions et Belles-Lettres). 1872.

60. MATERIALS FOR A HISTORY OF THE REIGN OF HENRY VII., FROM ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS PRESERVED IN THE PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* the Rev. WILLIAM CAMPBELL, M.A., one of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools. 1873–1877.

61. HISTORICAL PAPERS AND LETTERS FROM THE NORTHERN REGISTERS. *Edited by* the Rev. JAMES RAINE, M.A., Canon of York, and Secretary of the Surtees Society. 1873.

62. REGISTRUM PALATINUM DUNELMENSE. THE REGISTER OF RICHARD DE KELLAWE, LORD PALATINE AND BISHOP OF DURHAM; 1311-1316. Vols. I.–IV. *Edited by* Sir THOMAS DUFFUS HARDY, D.C.L., Deputy Keeper of the Records. 1873–1878.

63. MEMORIALS OF ST. DUNSTAN, ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY. *Edited by* the Rev. WILLIAM STUBBS, M.A., Regius Professor of Modern History and Fellow of Oriel College, Oxford. 1874.

64. CHRONICON ANGLIÆ, AB ANNO DOMINI 1328 USQUE AD ANNUM 1388, AUCTORE MONACHO QUODAM SANCTI ALBANI. *Edited by* EDWARD MAUNDE THOMPSON, Barrister-at-Law, Assistant Keeper of the Manuscripts in the British Museum. 1874.

65. THOMAS SAGA ERKIBYSKUPS. A LIFE OF ARCHBISHOP THOMAS BECKET, IN ICELANDIC. Vols. I. and II. *Edited, with English Translation, Notes, and Glossary, by* M. EIRIKR MAGNUSSON, M.A., Sub-Librarian of the University Library, Cambridge. 1875–1884.

66. RADULPHI DE COGGESHALL CHRONICON ANGLICANUM. *Edited by* the Rev. JOSEPH STEVENSON, M.A. 1875.

67. MATERIALS FOR THE HISTORY OF THOMAS BECKET, ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY. Vols. I.–VI. *Edited by* the Rev. JAMES CRAIGIE ROBERTSON, M.A., Canon of Canterbury. 1875–1883. Vol. VII. *Edited by* JOSEPH BRIGSTOCKE SHEPPARD, LL.D. 1885.

The first volume contains the life of the archbishop, and the miracles after his death, by William, a monk of Canterbury. The second, the life by Benedict of Peterborough, John of Salisbury, Alan of Tewkesbury, and Edward Grim. The third, the life by William Fitzstephen and Herbert of Bosham. The fourth, anonymous lives, Quadrilogus, &c. The fifth, sixth, and seventh, the Epistles, and known letters.

68. RADULFI DE DICETO, DECANI LUNDONIENSIS, OPERA HISTORICA. THE HISTORICAL WORKS OF MASTER RALPH DE DICETO, DEAN OF LONDON. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* the Rev. WILLIAM STUBBS, M.A., Regius Professor of Modern History, and Fellow of Oriel College, Oxford. 1876.

The Abbreviationes Chronicorum extend to 1147 and the Ymagines Historiarum to 1201.

69. ROLL OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE KING'S COUNCIL IN IRELAND, FOR A PORTION OF THE 16TH YEAR OF THE REIGN OF RICHARD II. 1392–93. *Edited by* the Rev. JAMES GRAVES, B.A. 1877.

70. HENRICI DE BRACTON DE LEGIBUS ET CONSUETUDINIBUS ANGLIÆ LIBRI QUINQUE IN VARIOS TRACTATUS DISTINCTI. Vols. I.–VI. *Edited by* SIR TRAVERS TWISS, Q.C., D.C.L. 1878–1883.

71. THE HISTORIANS OF THE CHURCH OF YORK AND ITS ARCHBISHOPS. Vols. I.–III. *Edited by* the REV. JAMES RAINE, M.A., Canon of York, and Secretary of the Surtees Society. 1879–1894.

72. REGISTRUM MALMESBURIENSE. THE REGISTER OF MALMESBURY ABBEY, PRESERVED IN THE PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* the Rev. J. S. BREWER, M.A., Preacher at the Rolls, and Rector of Toppesfield; *and* CHARLES TRICE MARTIN, B.A. 1879–1880.

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74. HENRICI ARCHIDIACONI HUNTENDUNENSIS HISTORIA ANGLORUM. THE HISTORY OF THE ENGLISH, BY HENRY, ARCHDEACON OF HUNTINGDON, from A.D. 55 to A.D. 1154, in Eight Books. *Edited by* THOMAS ARNOLD, M.A., 1879.

75. THE HISTORICAL WORKS OF SYMEON OF DURHAM. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* THOMAS ARNOLD, M.A. 1882–1885.

76. CHRONICLE OF THE REIGNS OF EDWARD I. AND EDWARD II. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* the Rev. WILLIAM STUBBS, D.D., Canon Residentiary of St. Paul's, London; Regius Professor of Modern History, and Fellow of Oriel College, Oxford, &c. 1882–1883.

The first volume of these Chronicles contains the *Annales Londonienses*, and the *Annales Paulini*: the second, I.—*Commendatio Lamentabilis in Transitu magni Regis Edwardi.* II.—*Gesta Edwardi de Carnarvan Auctore Canonico Bridlingtoniensi.* III.—*Monachi cujusdam Malmesberiensis Vita Edwardi II.* IV.—*Vita et Mors Edwardi II., conscripta a Thoma de la Moore.*

77. REGISTRUM EPISTOLARUM FRATRIS JOHANNIS PECKHAM, ARCHIEPISCOPI CANTUARIENSIS. Vols. I–III. *Edited by* CHARLES TRICE MARTIN, B.A., F.S.A. 1882–1886.

78. REGISTER OF S. OSMUND. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* the Rev. W. H. RICH JONES, M.A., F.S.A., Canon of Salisbury, Vicar of Bradford-on-Avon. 1883-1884.

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